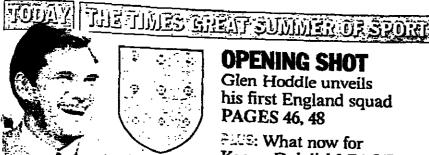


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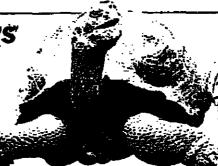


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'Others must not go through this'

6-day ordeal in court for raped woman

By Joanna Bale, Stephen Farrell, Richard Ford and Dominic Kennedy

THE Government is to examine a trial in which a convicted rapist was allowed to crossexamine his victim in court for six days about the intimate details of her ordeal.

Ralston Edwards, 42, exercised his legal right to repre-sent himself when he appeared at the Old Bailey accused of raping a 34-yearold mother of two in an attack lasting 16 hours.

After the jury — which included five women — found him guilty on two counts of rape, his victim said: "I feel like I have been raped twice: ... be in his filthy den and once in front of judge and jury in a British court of law.

"I don't want other women to go through what I have been through. The law has got to be changed."

She was supported by worn-en's groups, who fear that other victims will be intimidated against giving evidence; and Sir Frederick Lawson, a retired Lord Justice of Appeal, who questioned whether the judge should have allowed Edwards to continue. "I am just astonished, astonished that this cross-examina-

tion has been allowed to go on for six days," Sir Frederick said. "I cannot conceive how it lasted that long or how some of those questions could be relevant. The judge can stop irrelevant questions and what is more, a judge has a duty to do so."

Last night the Home Office said is would examine the se. The Government is concerned to ensure that victims of these hideous crimes are adequately protected and we will be giving further consideration to the issues raised by this case," a spokesman said.

Home Office officials are expected to hold discussions with the Lord Chancellor's Department to see whether the law needs to be tightened. The Government could act swiftly and include a measure in the Criminal Justice Bill that Michael Howard is to introduce in the next session of Parliament, which begins in

October. Under the Criminal Procedure Act 1865, defendants have the right to call witnesses and address the jury. Judges



Ann Goddard, QC, the trial judge

cannot force legal representa-tion on the accused, but must guide him on points of law. In principle the defendant is required to follow the same rules as a trained barrister.

The trial judge, Ann God-dard, QC, will have been aware that too many interventions could also form the basis of an appeal on the ground that the jury was swayed by them.

Patricia May, a barrister who acted in the first Old Bailey trial in which victims of alleged sexual assault were allowed to give evidence be-hind screens, said that Parliament should look again at the law. "Anybody has the right to represent themselves. It is clearly an age-old right," she said. But a query does arise when one is dealing with a case where the victim can be very much intimidated by the sight of a defendant in

person." The Criminal Justice Act 199) withdrew the right of suspects conducting their own defence to cross-examine their alleged victims if they are children. There is no restriction in relation to adult victims at all and that is why I think perhaps the law ought to be looking to restrict it further," Ms May, a member of the Criminal Bar Association,

During the latest case the victim had to leave the witness box at one stage after being repeatedly asked by Edwards to describe the sexual details of the attack in graphic and trivial detail.

It was the third time that Edwards has appeared in court charged with rape. In

1984 he was jailed for three years for raping a neighbour in south London after threatening her 16-month-old baby with a knife; and in 1987 he was cleared of a rape charge. In 1991 he unsuccessfully defended himself against two charges of actual bodily harm on women.

Judge Goddard, who remanded Edwards in custody for four weeks for psychiatric reports, said that she regarded him as a dangerous man and told him that he faced either life imprisonment or a substantial period of time in jail.

While trying the case, Judge Goddard was faced with balancing her duty to see that Edwards had a fair trial with the need to keep his crossexamination strictly to what was relevant. "The defendant is representing himself, he has a right to do so. No one expects him to be a lawyer or to know all the rules or ask the right questions in the right order," she told the jury. However, she warned Edwards not to question his victim again and

again about the same incident. It was only after being found guilty and warned that he faced life imprisonment that Edwards requested legal assistance.

After the trial Detective Sergeant Milne Davidson, who was in charge of the inquiry, said: "There is no doubt he was getting a thrill out of questioning the victim. He was trying to blacken her character and harass her.

"She admitted to me she was terrified, but he did not intimidate her. It is only through her integrity and determination that he has

been convicted." The prosecuting barrister in yesterday's case, Stephen Holt, said: "I am sure that the Criminal Bar Association will be reviewing this case. The situation in which a rape victim is cross-examined by the accused should not be allowed to arise. The problem is that if we deny people the right to defend themselves, we will fall foul of the European Court of Human Rights in Strasbourg."

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State schools make mark

By John O'Leary, education editor

LEADING state schools step up their challenge to independent education today in the fifth annual Times A-level league table detailing this summer's results from more than 720 schools.

The independent St Paul's School in West London heads the table but for the first time Jeffrey Gordon, page 20
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a state school has broken into the top 20 and two appear in

the top 40. King Edward VI Grammar School in Chelmsford, Essex, finishes ahead of such luminaries of independent education as Manchester Grammar School, Harrow and Rugby, which regularly appear in the upper reaches of independent education tables. Its A-level grades are the best for any state school since the

table was first published.

Ermysted's Grammar School, in Skipton, North Yorkshire, is the only other state school in the top 50. Hills Road College, in Cambridge, where 575 stu-dents took A levels, is the first sixth-form college to appear in the top 100.

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Children will have ID cards

Children as well as adults will carry identity cards, Michael Howard said in a move seen as an attempt to defuse Tory anger over the scheme being



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English education for young Yeltsin

By DAVID CHARTER AND RICHARD BEESTON

BORIS YELTSIN'S favourite grandson is being sent next month to study at one of England's most expensive in-dependent schools.

The 15-year-old, also called Boris, is regarded by his doing grandfather as a chip off the old block. He will board at Millfield School in Somerset, where fees are £15,000 a year. There, he may meet the 12-year-old adopted grandson of another of the world's most powerful leaders, Deng Xiao-

ping of China. Boris Okulov, son of Yeltsin's eldest daughter Yelena, is said by the Russian President to enjoy playing truant and fighting.

Millfield has a reputation for sporting excellence and a long rollcall of children of the rich and powerful have been entrusted to its care. Several sons of King Fahd of Saudi



Boris the younger: chip off the presidential block

Arabia and a daughter of King Husain of Jordan have been educated at the school.

Christopher Martin, its headmaster, said that nearly one in five Millfield pupils came from overseas, continuing the tradition of its founder, R.J.O . Meyer, who started the school in 1935 with seven children from India.

including two princes. Mr classmates. He is a real scrap-Martin said: "There have alper and, boy, can he fight." ways been people from all sorts of extraordinary backgrounds in the school." He added: "We have got people from 54 countries and we have an international association established in some 20 of those countries." He said he had no idea how young Boris's parents came to know about

Mr Yeltsin nicknamed his favourite grandson Borka and talked fondly of him in his book, The View From the Kremlin, published in 1994, where he confessed: "I had waited for a boy for such a long time."

Mr Yelisin added: "He gets into the usual scrapes: a fight, a C in school, playing hookey. rudeness to his grandmother and arguments with his sisters ... I think he is like his grandfather in some ways. By nature he is a go-getter. He loves to be a leader among his

per and, boy, can he fight."

The Russian President's own schooldays in the Sverdlovsk region could hardly have been more different from the surroundings his grand-son will find in England.

Millfield has its own Olympic-size indoor swimming pool, a theatre, golf course, indoor tennis courts and a cross-country riding course with stabling for 47 horses in grounds of more than 100 acres. Boris Yeltsin, the son of peasants, attended a village school, although he did well enough there to gain a place at the Urals Polytechnic Institute to study civil engineering.
It has recently become fash-

ionable among Russia's elite, including politicians, businessmen and gangsters, to send their children to Switzerland or Britain to finish their education.

compensation. The prison service is braced

for a flood of compensation claims - at a rate of £95 a

The disclosure is a further damaging blow to the prison service where morale has been low following the break-outs from Parkhurst and Whitemoor top security jails and strong criticisms in official inquiries into both incidents.

It is also a serious embarrassment to Michael Howard cuth crime.

The speed with which the

Thousands in jail to be freed after legal bungle

By Richard Ford, home correspondent

FIVE HUNDRED prisoners are facing imminent release from jail because of a legal blunder over the way in which the prison service has been calculating sentences for almost 30 years.

Up to 5,000 prisoners in the 138 jails in England and Wales are also likely to have their release dates brought forward following an urgent review by prison governors of sentence

The mistake affects prisoners given consecutive sentences - they should have had the time spent on remand taken into account for each crime rather than just one. For example, a man given three consecutive sentences on the same day, who had spent 20 days on remand, should be allowed 60 days off his sentence rather than just 20 days.

Consecutive sentences are usually handed out to hardened criminals with long, often serious, criminal records. Now, all those falsely imprisoned during the last six years are entitled to sue for

during his summer offensive aimed at highlighting the Government's record on law and order and its efforts to

prison service has acted has alarmed the probation service

who warned last night that inmates were being released without proper preparation, accommodation or their licence conditions being properly organised.

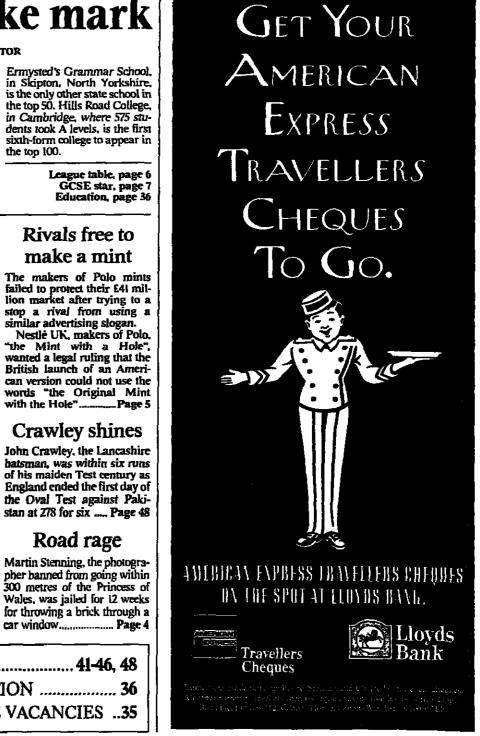
The seriousness of the blunder is highlighted by an instruction sent to prison governors last week detailing the way sentences must be calculated: "The aim is to eliminate variations in practice which may cost the Prison Service large sums of money



in court cases and compensapayments to prisoners"

The speedy release of inmates started on Wednesday with 33 freed from Havering iail at Millom in Cumbria including one man who had spent seven months longer in jail than he should have done. Under present regulations, he could win about £20,000 in

A further 60 prisoners have had their release date brought forward and discussions are taking place about the position of another 20 inmates at a Continued on page 2



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CHILDREN as well as adults will carry identity cards. Michael Howard announced yesterday, in an unexpected move seen as an attempt to defuse Tory anger over the scheme being voluntary.

The Home Secretary said that his plans to extend the scheme to children would help to counter underage drinking and the watching of adult videos. The move would help shopkeepers to check the age of teenagers attempting to buy cigarettes, videos, lottery tickets and alcohol. A cross-party Commons committee had urged him to limit the new scheme to adults.

However, some right-wing Conservatives accused Mr Howard of bowing to European pressure to introduce identity cards. John Redwood, the former Cabinet minister, said the plan was "un-British". described the inclusion of the European Union symbol as "ultimate humiliation" and called on Mr Howard to abandon the scheme. "I can see no need whatever to have a symbol of European Government on a card if it is a British card under British jurisdiction," the former Tory leader-ship challenger told BBC Radio 4's The World at One.

"The question is very simple does the presence of the European symbol mean we are giving up our independence on these most important justice, law and order and immigration matters?"

Nicholas Winterton, Conservative MP for Macclesfield. said the scheme was "very alien to the culture of the United Kingdom. 1D systems are very much the habit and tradition of Europe, not the UK. I shall certainly not take up one of those [cards] until it is compulsory to do so, and even in that event I shall block out the EU motif."

introduced next year, is likely

IDENTITY CARD

DRIVING LICENCE PHOTOCARD

arnes inform

Symbols: Union Jack and Royal Crest.

medical and other information.

Symbols: European Union flag and Union Jack.

with a driving licence. It will double as a passport in EU countries and Mr Howard said that it could also be used in many non-EU countries as weel. Currently a ten-year passport costs El8 and a

driving licence [2]. Mr Howard announced that children of any age could apply for the voluntary card, with parental consent. The decision was taken after it was recognised that parents using their identity card as a passport abroad would not be able to include their children on it.

People wanting an identity card would be able to apply for a separate card or combine with a new European photocard driving licence to be introduced next year.

He denied claims that the Government would later make the scheme compulsory. Civil liberties campaigners argue that it will in effect become obligatory to hold a card if retailers, banks and other organisations routinely demand it to be shown.

The decision to link the card to the new photo-driving li-cence meant Mr Howard had to accept the presence of the EU symbol alongside the Union Jack on the combined driving licence and ID card. As expected, Mr Howard

until 2001. The move was a

concession to nationalists op-

posed to the use of the Union

Jack symbol although the ID

plans after claims that there

were insufficient safeguards

against forgery, and calls for

fingerprints or other unique

identifying marks to be car-

ried on the card. The decision

not to include holograms or a

magnetic strip on which "in-

visible" signatures could be

read only by machine was criticised. The Government

insists that developments in

technology need to be studied.

It has been constrained by the

costs and the political sensitiv-

ity of including too much

information on the card that is

not visible to the naked eve.

Mr Howard defended his

card will also be available.

announced that the combined identity card and driving licence would have to carry a photograph of the bearer as well as the 12 stars of the EU but would be accompanied by the Royal Crest.

This will distinguish it from the sole driving licence which will just have the British Union Jack and EU flag. There will also be a plain identity card which will not have the EU (lag but will carry both the Union flag and the Royal Crest. In a compromise with the

THE THREE CARDS

Details earried: Cardholder's name, age, address, photograph, signature and licence number. Period of licence, place of issue and code indicating eligibility to drive types of vehicle. Separate

European Union as a valid driving document. Photograph used to reduce risk of theft. Plastic

Details carried: Cardholder's name, age, address, photograph, signature. Serial number duplicated in bar code. Potential for addition, at a later stage, of smart card technology to carry

Benefits: Planned to serve as a travel document, in place of a passport, within the EU and also

to many non-EU countries that do not demand visas. The Government believes it will also offer

wider benefits, helping to prevent certain types of fraud, enabling shopkeepers to check the age

of customers when selling alcohol or cigarettes, and helping police tackle crime. Valid for up to ten years. Start date: Within months of legislation being passed, probably autumn 1997

ation currently held on driving

card considered harder-wearing than existing paper licence. Start date: 1997

Northern Ireland Office, the The card, expected to be Province will retain its photodriving licence — which acts as a de facto ID card — at least to cost about £20 if combined

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One of the identity cards to be introduced next year under the voluntary scheme announced yesterday

Opinions of the public identify wide divergence

OPINION polls appear overwhelmingly in favour of identity cards. The results look more doubtful when people are asked if they will have one themselves. Views were sharply divided yesterday. Andrea Daschner, 25, a

London university student from Bremen in Germany. said: "In Germany we are legally obliged to have an identity card at 16. We regard it as rather exciting when we first get it. We are supposed to carry it all the time, but often I leave it at home because I do

not want to risk losing it." Andrea's friend, Daniel Fryer, 28, of north London, did not share her enthusiasm. "I think the LD card is a diabolical liberty," he said. "The voluntary scheme is just a stepping stone to making them compulsory, and gives open licence to police to stop people in the street whenever they like. I will not be having a card, and if they make it compulsory I will still refuse.".

David Garlinkel, 23, a trainee journalist, said: "I think it is a very good idea. I have been told I only look 16. and any additional proof of identity will be welcome." Nicole Veash, 23, of

Tolleshunt Knights, Essex, said: "I refuse to have even a supermarket card. I do not want people knowing my eating habits so they can shower me with leaflets and offers. and I do not want anybody keeping tabs on me through an identity card either."

Ee Waun Sim, 28, a student from Singapore, said: We have them at home in Singanore. They help in emergencies and accidents, when victims can quickly be identified."

Staurt Weir, director of Democratic Audit, said: "I think I probably will get a card. I am continually losing



Daschner: in Germany first card is "exciting"



Ee in Singapore, it helps identify victims

my driving licence anyway. I do not think a voluntary system, or a compulsory one. is a threat to civil liberties as long as there are safeguards." Claude Moraes, director of the Joint Council for the

Welfare of Immigrants, said: "The voluntary system is the worst of both worlds for inumigrant minorities. It means that the system cannot be comprehensively monitored to see how it is applied to minorities compared with the population at large. Personal-

do already carry my passport in my wallet because I often work late and am constantly being stopped by police."

Egon Ronay, the veteran food critic who has often disguised his identity while carrying out inspections, said: "It is a good thing to do. Cards are only dangerous to people who have something to hide."

Steve Haywood, producer of Trial and Error on Channel 4. said: "I am wholly sceptical of the claim that the cards will reduce crime. People involved crime, especially organised crime, will quickly have means to copy and forge cards. The cards bring no

particular benefits to anyone."

Lord Denning, the former

Master of the Rolls, said: "I shall not be applying for one, and I shall not be recommending that members of my family do. It is a crazy idea especially as it is voluntary. It will be ignored by the majority of ordinary people, and possibly exploited by criminals and illegal immigrants."

Dame Barbara Cartland. said: "I told the Prime Minister that we had identity cards in the war, and that we would put up with it again if it would stop people taking us for fools and coming from abroad to live on our money.

Sir Ludovic Kennedy, who has championed cases of mistaken identity which led to wrongful convictions, said: Personally I want an identity card with a St Andrew's cross on it, because that is the way things are going, but national ism aside I have no objection to ID cards. I think I will keep a watching brief before decid-

ing to apply."
Lis Parratt, campaign coordinator of Liberty. "The claim that those with nothing to hide have nothing to fear quickly makes anyone not wishing to carry an ID card a target of suspicion."

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Europe snubs Bonn call on British lamb

Germany's advice to shun British lamb because BSE may have been passed on from cows received no support from the rest of Europe yesterday. The European Commission in Brussels said it disagreed with the advice and the French Embassy in London said agricultural officials in Paris had

been astonished by the German move.

The Farmers' Union of Wales has been inundated with calls to boycott German farm equipment and wine. Bob Parry, the union's president, said that the fears of Werner Zwingmann, Germany's chief veterinary officer, were groundless. In Northern Ireland, abattoirs are to resume culling cattle over 30 months old after progress in talks about the level of payments.

Dunblane setback

The Charity Commissioners yesterday froze the bank account of an organisation founded in the wake of the Dunblane shooting to oppose gun ownership after it emerged that its leader was an undischarged bankrupt with a fraud conviction. Fraud Squad officers were called to the Essex headquarters of the Society Against Guns in Europe (SAGE) after the sudden resignation of Dr Tobias Ezra Bernstein, its general secretary.

Mail talks resume

Negotiations between Royal Mail and the Communication Workers Union resume today at Acas, the conciliation service. Richard Dykes, managing director of Royal Mail, said the talks would go ahead because the union was prepared to discuss all the issues in the dispute. The main problem area is the demand from Royal Mail for a reorganisation of working practices, rejected by the CWU's postal executive as a move towards teamworking.

Grave desecrated

The grave of Lesley Ann Downey, a ten-year-old victim of the Moors murders, was desecrated yesterday on what would have been her 42nd birthday. Flowers and vases were stolen from the Manchester cemetery and the headstone covered with obscenities and the words "Myra is living". Myra Hindley and Ian Brady are serving life sentences for the murders. Police are seeking a woman and five fair-haired youths seen by Lesley's mother, Ann West.

Body identified

A schoolgirl found murdered behind a nightclub in Birmingham could have run away from home for a secret rendezvous with an older man, police said. The parents of Lucy Burchell, who should have been celebrating eight GCSE passes, learnt that it was her body found dumped on waste ground on Tuesday. Lucy, 16, failed to return home in Great Wurley, near Cannock, Staffordshire, on August 156 and was last seen getting into a taxi in nearby Walsall.

Hymns ban lifted

An evangelical family said yesterday that its prayers had been answered with a three-month reprieve from a ban on its street songs. The council order had been imposed after complaints from traders and shoppers at a Bristol shopping centre, where the family of four has sung hymns and distributed leaflets for ten years. Freddie Gallichan, 64, has promised to turn down his amplifiers.

MoD staff suspended

Fifteen civil servants at the Ministry of Defence's Bills Agency in Liverpool have been suspended for alleged fraud. Investigators found irregularities in the use of interest-free loans issued to staff for travel cards, cycles and car-parking permits. It is claimed that some of the 670 staff used the grants for other purposes. More suspensions on full pay are expected.

Actor's fare cop

An actor who appeared as a fare dodger in a poster campaign that warned bus travellers of the penalties for not paying their way was fined £30 yesterday for evading a £3.30 rail fare. Matthew Taylor, 24, of Teddington, southwest London, told Horseferry Road magistrates that he had intended to pay at the end of the journey from Hampton Wick to Waterloo.

Couple of aces

A husband and wife playing in a team golf competition shot a hole in one at the same hole. John Dixon, 54, and his wife Jenny, 52, from Harrogate, scored the double ace on the 106-yard third hole at Knaresborough Golf Club, North Yorkshire. "I think the whole golf course must have heard the cheers." Mrs Dixon said. "It's a good job we had someone with us otherwise no one would have believed us."

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Bungle at jails

Continued from page I medium security Category C jail. One inmate release suddenly from the jail is understood to have spent his first night of freedom sleeping in a park because no alternative accommodation was available. Another 12 inmates have been released from North Sea Camp jail at Boston in Lincolnshire and Wandsworth, in south west London, which are the only other jails to have completed a review of sentences.

Prison governors and their staff have until September 10 to complete a review of the sentences of 42,000 of the 50,000 inmates currently in jail. The estimated 11,000 inmates on remand and 3,000 people serving life are not affected by the new order.

The review follows a series court challenges by

The Prison Governors' Association said last night that between 400-500 prisoners were likely to be released within the next few weeks and an estimated 5,000 more would have their release dates brought forward. David Roddan, general secretary of the association, said the service must abide by the law of the land. He said: "Governors will be examining individual cases as quickly as possible to minimise the risk of expensive

compensation claims."

Harry Fletcher, assistant general secretary of the National Association of Probation Officers, said the sudden release of scores of prisoners without proper pre-release arrangement has meant they were walking out of prisons without accommodation and proper support. "It is fortuitious that this comes at a time of record prison over-crowding. But the sudden

release of prisoners has meant that rehabilitation plans have been hit and there is great concern at what will happen to these people. Ironically, the early release of inmates could ease the

population pressure facing the prison service. The prison population has been rising at the rate of 250 a week as sentencers take note of the tough law and order rhetoric and "prison works" policy of Mr Howard,

Last month, the service announceed an emergency building programme to provide vital security improvements to live jails plus provision of 3,000 places to help cope with the rising population. The jail population is predicted to reach 60,000 by March next year and the additional places are to be provided in houseblockes and refurbished wings in vacant Victorian wings at Liverpool. Preston, Leeds, and Wandsworth jails.

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'Surely you can appreciate the terror you put me through? My head was in turmoil'

Victim begged rapist for compassion in court

By JUANNA BALL:

RALSTON EDWARDS arrived at the Old Builey each day wearing the same faded jumper and jeans that he wore when he raped his victim, and carrying a plastic hag and a pile of papers.

The setback

2 The 42-year-old questioned his victim in a low, flat voice devoid of emotion. She fled from the courtroom at one stage, complaining that she felt physically sick, after being asked to give a precise account of the sexual humiliation she had endured. She was sent home by the matron who is always on call at the court.

Edwards asked about minute details, picking over every aspect of his victim's private life. His questions included: "What flavour milkshake did you drink in my home?"

During her cross-examination, the woman looked across the court at Edwards and said:

THE EVIDENCE

"Surely you can appreciate the terror you put me through? You are human, after all. Surely you can imagine what it was like for me? My whole head was in turmoil afterwards. Throughout my ordeal I was trying to stay calm and not rile you. I wanted to get away, but you raped and sodomised me."

Edwards, the son of a Jamaican father and white mother, had one previous conviction for rape and was acquitted on another rape charge. He has numerous other convictions, including for violence against women, and conducted his own defence unsuccessfully four years ago on two assault

The task facing Judge God-'```rd, QC, was not an easy one. She had to ensure that the witness was not subjected to hostile questions, but also had to be flexible in her attitude to an accused man who had legitimately adopted his right to defend himself without

advice from lawyers. As Edwards summed up his case, he frequently referred to courtroom exchanges that had not been heard by the jury. One legal expert said: barrister would ever be



The rape victim broke down several times during cross-examination by Ralston Edwards at the Old Bailey. Judge Goddard, QC, frequently interrupted his questions

but the judge knows that if she tries to gag Edwards, he may get off on appeal."

The judge interrupted the exchanges between defendant and victim many times to point out proper court procedure. Sometimes she would say: "I think Mr Edwards is asking you . . . " At other times she would stop Edwards from

going over the same ground. Stephen Holt, for the prose-

victim has two children aged 16 and 18. The youngest has just done well in his GCSEs and the other had passed his A-levels and accepted a place to study science at university. The boys had supported their mother by accompanying her to commuttal hearings.

The jury of seven men and five women were told how she was approached by Edwards outside Lewisham railway sta-

December after travelling to southeast London from her home in Margate, Kent. She is in the process of divorcing her third husband, and had come to London to move in with her boyfriend. They have since set up home outside London, with her sons, because she is too traumatised to live in the area.

Edwards, whose occupation was selling condoms to prostitutes, began speaking to her at

she was wearing an Aids awareness ribbon, which he also wore. Mr Holt said that she did everything she could to get rid of him, but he followed her onto a bus. When she got off, he came after her, grabbed her and began kissing and fondling her in a deserted

Mr Holt said: She was best to co-operate and asked if could go." She hoped that this would stop him molesting her and that they would go somewhere where there were people she could ask for help.

Edwards was carrying a black bag and she feared he had a gun in it, she told the jury. She explained that she hoped to attract someone's attention on the walk to Edwards's flat, but realised that the streets were deserted.

London, she discovered that the bag contained 900 condoms. By then it was too late to escape. The woman, who was scared that she was going to

be killed, told the jury: "It was pitch-dark in the house. The

filthy squat in Catford, south

place was horrific. There was no electricity or light. "He lit a gas fire and told me to take off my clothes. There was a door lying on the floor,

bedding or pillows on it. He pushed me down on to the bed. I was pleading with him. but he didn't seem to care. It

was as if I was his property." During cross-examination she told Edwards: "I tried to appeal to your better nature. I was pleading with you not to She said that she was in the flat for 16 hours. During that

time, she alleged, she was raped four times. When Ed-wards finally fell asleep, the woman ran weeping to a nearby garage and a couple took her to a police station. When arrested Edwards said that the woman had consented to sex. He pleaded not guilty to four charges of rape and was cleared on two.

Edwards had been involved in crime since his teenage years, but police admined that they knew little about him. One officer said that Edwards had picked on vulnerable social outcasts because he believed that they would not report him. One detective said: "I believe he picked this woman because she was carrying so much luggage that he thought she was a had lady who would not go to the

His victim said that since the attack she has been under constant psychiatric care and had moved to a secret address. She said in court that some time ago she had broken a bone in her back and had taken so many painkillers that she had become addicted to them. She gave them up, but after the attack began to take methodone, which she is still prescribed.

Detective Sergeant Milne Davidson, who was in charge of the inquiry, said yesterday: This is the first time I have seen a defendant conducting his own defence in such a serious case in my 31 years as policeman. The difficulty is that it is a person's right to defend himself, but you have got to look at it from the point of view of the victim.

"She has been very upset. but also very strong. Her reaction after the cross-examination was relief that it was finished, but also that it shouldn't happen to any other rape victim."

Jeffrey Gordon, page 20

Record of violence began in youth

RALSTON EDWARDS has a violent criminal past, with a took Detective Sergeant Milne Davidson more than five minutes to read out his previous convictions after the jury de-

livered its verdict.
Edwards, 42, who told
Lice that he had not worked for five years, began committing crimes as a youth. In 1971 he was convicted of his first violent offence and sent to a detention centre by Greenwich magistrates for three months for two assaults on police. Driving offences, hurglary, theft and assaults followed throughout the 1970s and end-

THE OFFENDER

ed in his first spell in prison in 1981 when he was sentenced to four months for assault with intent to rob.

In May 1984 he was jailed for three years at the Old Bailey for raping a neighbour in Peckham, southeast London. He entered her flat through the balcony window, and forced her to have sex with him by threatening her baby with a knife. He was found guilty of causing actual bodily harm to another woman on the same day and jailed for 18 months for that offence.

In December 1987 he was cleared of another charge of rape. Sergeant Davidson told the court: "Mr Edwards went home to his common-law wife and began drinking. The next day he beat her using a broom handle, wire coathanger, a wooden coathanger and a flex " Five months later he was iailed for three years by Inner London Crown Court for grevious bodily harm in con-

> unsuccessfully defended himself against two charges of

actual bodily harm on women. He held one woman down, on the floor, put her head in a neck lock and punched her repeatedly to the neck and

In the second attack he put both his arms round the victim's neck, inflicting bruising, then put his hands across her mouth and injured her left arm and forearm, "Certainly the officers' opinion was that these matters were sexual," Sergeant Davidson said.

Edwards's sentence of two years on each charge, to run consecutively, was reduced to 15 months on each count on

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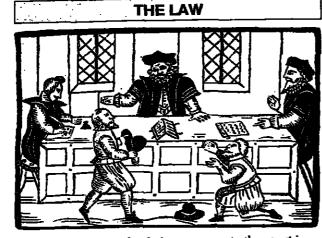
By Alan Hamilton

ALTHOUGH some European legal systems insist that a defendant in court must be represented by a professional awyer, it has always been an Englishman's inalienable right to be allowed to defend himself. There is one exception to

the rule, introduced in the 1991 Criminal Justice Act. Defendants in certain child sex cases can no longer crossexamine their alleged victims or any other witnesses, on the grounds that it could cause further unnecessary suffering to those who claim they have already been abused. Jennifer Temkin, Professor

of Law at Sussex University, was a member of the legal committee that recommended the ban in 1989. She said yesterday: "We proposed that the ban be extended to adult sex crime cases, on the basis that a rape victim should not have to confront her attacker in court and be questioned by him. Adult witnesses can be iust as vulnerable as children, and the ordeal can be quite awful for them. But the proposal was rejected."

Conducting one's own defence was largely wiped out by the introduction of the legal aid system, which originated in 1948 and was refined into its present form in the 1960s. Now an estimated 98 per cent of defendants in Crown Courts are on legal aid, on the basis that the



The two sides make their own cases to the court in a depiction of a hearing in the early 17th century

Dispensing with hugely expensive barristers is more common in civil cases, especially those of libel, if only because legal aid is not available in cases of defamation. In the recent celebrated libel case, Ian Botham and Allan Lamb found themselves having 10 pay an estimated E500,000 in fees for the silvertongued and gold-plated advocacy of Charles Gray, QC. and George Carman, QC.

Those who choose to conduct their own defence are entitled to assistance, usually unpaid, in the form of what is called a "Mackenzie Friend" - not necessarily a qualified lawyer - who can help them

majority of criminals are to present their case and steer them round the deeper pitfalls of cross-examination.

Ole Hansen, a London law lecturer and expert on the legal aid system, said yesterday: Judges do not like people conducting their own defence. It slows up the whole system and often tries the patience of a judge who is used to the smooth running of the normal adversarial system. But they are obliged to put up with it if that is what the defendant chooses."

Conducting one's own defence is as much a lottery as hiring expensive counsel. Randall and Pottle, charged with springing the convicted spy George Blake from Wormwood Scruhs, conduct-

ed their own defence and won their case. Roger Seelig, a defendant in the Guinness trial, also acted as counsel for himself and suffered a heart attack. The defendants in the McDonald's libel trial are acting on their own behalf but, as it has already become the longest case of its kind in British legal history, with no outcome yet in sight, the jury is still out on the wisdom of their amateur advocacy. In the English courts, the

notion of having legal representatives to argue a case has its origins in the 14th century. and even in that distant time the division between barristers and solictors was drawn: harristers and serjeants had the right of audience in the common-law courts while solicitors, then known as attorneys, were restricted to the preparatory stages of a case.

The long-standing tradition dock brief, although not used nowadays, still exists in theory, according to legal experts. Any accused could demand the services of any barrister who happened to be present in the court, provided he was robed, on payment of a fee of half a crown. It was poor reward for the legal profession.

One ancient custom that springs from those distant days might be reason enough on its own for you to conduct your own defence. You could never, and still cannot, sue a

Commission gives warning to ITN to be impartial in run-up to the general election

News at Ten interview with Major 'too friendly'

CHIEF POLITICAL

THE Independent Television Commission has criticised ITN chiefs over an interview with John Major conducted by Trevor McDonald and broadcast on News at Ten last

The commission concluded that the interview, described as "fawning" by Labour, did not breach the clauses on impartiality in its programme code. But a letter from Sir George Russell, the commission chairman, in reply to a complaint by David Hill, Labour's chief media spokesman, suggested that the interview was "too friendly" and that some of the question-

ing was "inappropriate".
The commission also warned ITN that its impartiality would be monitored in the run-up to the general election. and it advised producers to ensure that the "right tone was adopted in future.

Labour complained about

Sir George: said ITN did not breach code

the decision to lead News at Ten with the interview on July 18, rather than with a report about the TWA air crash in which 230 people died. John Prescott, Labour's deputy leader, said the interview was a disgrace, complaining that it was a party political broad-cast. "We shall be seeking to know when Tony Blair can

letter to ITN at the time. At one point during the interview, which was conducted in the garden of 10 Downing Street, McDonald said: "I have been reading some of the interviews you have been giving to newspapers and what comes over is the extraordinary dedication you have for this job." He also praised Mr Major's achievements in Northern Ireland, saying he "had

Sir George's letter pointed out that McDonald was known for his courteous style of questioning. However, it may have seemed to some viewers that the overall approach was a little too friendly and relaxed for a major setpiece interview with a party leader, and that value judgments within the questions. such as the reference to Mr Major's 'extraordinary dedica-

a great deal of courage".

tion', were inappropriate. The ITC does not wish to discourage courtesy, and we do not conclude that the

breach of due impartiality requirements. Nevertheless, we believe that setting exactly the right tone in such situa-tions is something ITN may wish to consider further for the future."

Labour welcomed the commission's response, saying it was delighted that it had agreed that the tone of the interview had been inappropriate. A spokesman added: "We are also pleased that the ITC has given a commitment to monitor carefully the impartiality of broadcasters in the run-up to the election."

ITN said it was extremely

pleased the commission had confirmed that the interview did not breached guidelines on impartiality. "ITN welcomes Sir George Russell's comments that testing questions were asked, that the ITC does stand firm against undue pressure from all political not wish to discourage courtesy in interviewing, and that Trevor's courteous style of parties." interviewing did not breach

impartiality require-

ments," a spokeswoman said. "ITN will continue to remain challenging and impartial in its political coverage and to

Labour's complaint claimed that the interview was not



Labour described Trevor McDonald's interview with Mr Major as "fawning"

balanced in relation to the programme and did not fit in with any planned series with other party leaders. Mr Hill also protested that "the reporting was not dispassionate or

In his reply, Sir George concluded that the code was

not breached and that therefore the commission would not be intervening formally. A spokesman for the commission said that Labour's complaint had not gone before the full board because staff had found there was no breach of the programme code.

Hendrix sale nets girlfriend

£36,000

lyrics sold for £10.925 at auction in London yesterday. The early draft of Ain't No Telling, dating from 1966, was one of the few lyrics that he did not lose or throw away. It was bought by the Hard Rock Cafe in Orlando,

of barbiturates.

Yesterday she sold 24 pieces, which she described as some of his favourite possessions, for E36,512. An iron Cross from the First World War, which he used to wear, sold for £4,600, also to the Hard Rock Café. Bonhams said: "If it was just an Iron Cross, it would have been valued at £15 to £20. This shows the power of pop

In the same sale, in Chel-sea, the 'dope-box" in which the rock guitarist stashed away some of his favourite "song-inducing substances" fetched £5,060, bought by an Australian private collector. The black lacquer box with inlaid mother-of-pearl was sold by Kathy Etchingham, 1966 to 1969. In 1970, not long after their relationship broke up and when he was at the peak of his success, he died after swallowing a fatal dose

Princess pursuer jailed for car attack

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BY KATHRYN KNIGHT AND EMMA WILKINS

MARTIN STENNING, the photographer who has been banned from going within 300 metres of the Princess of Wales, was jailed for 12 weeks yesterday for throwing a bridge through the window of a car His latest conviction emerged as he prepared to contest a High Court injunction precating with or harassing the

Princess Stenning was sentenced at Clerkenwell Magistrates Court for a criminal damage: offence which took place when he was working as a dispatch rider in February. He had pleaded guilty four weeks ago, but Benedict Birnberg. the solicitor acting for him in relation to the Princess's injunction, was unaware of the case until Stenning telephoned him from court to tell him he was going to Brixton prison.

Mr Birmberg, who is com-piling an affidavit detailing Mr Stenning's defence against the Princess's claims of harassment, said: "It is the fourth of a series of road rage convictions that he has now acquired. I am devastated because it obviously has an effect on our case and it makes my job more difficult." He expects to deliver the affidavit to the Princess's solicitors. Mishcon de Reya, next week.

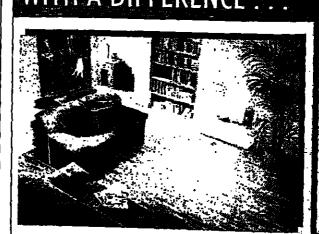
David Jonas, who acted for Stenning yesterday, said later that his client became involved in an argument with the driver of a Land Rover as he delivered a parcel in Highgate, north London. He brandished a brick and threw it threw the window of a Volkswagen parked nearby, causing £182 damage. Mr Jonas said Stenning had already lodged an appeal

against the jail sentence. Stenning has a number other convictions. In 1992 he was convicted of assault after kicking the car door of a driver when she turned out of a side road and caused him to swerve. He has also admitted burglary, theft and other



Stenning: hurled brick through car window

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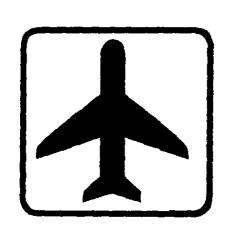
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Rivals can make a mint as £41m Polo digs itself into hole

THE makers of Polo mints failed to protect their £41 million market yesterday after i ing to a stop a rival from using a similar advertising

siogan. Nestié UK, makers of Polo. "the Mint with a Hole", wanted a legal ruling that the British launch of an older American version, called Lifesavers, could not use the words "the Original Mint with the Hole". However, the Court of Appeal ruled that Polo mints had no monopoly of the Henry Moore school of

confectionery. Nestle argued that the description chosen for Lifesavers by their makers, Nabisco, would mislead the public into thinking Lifesavers were Polos

The argument fell into a very deep hole in court. Lord Jaice Aldous, in his judgment with Lord Justice Russell and Lord Justice Saville, found that there was nothing in the evidence to suggest that Lord Justice Aldous said no



Polo: too famous for confusion, judge says

the public would confuse Lifesavers with a Nestle sweet. Refusing leave to appeal against a High Court decision earlier this week, he said: "They will realise they are a rival product." There had been "ample evidence" of the reputation of Polo mints, marketed

in Britain since 1948. Nestle had sought injunctions to stop Lifesavers being sold as "The Original Mint with the Hole" because it claimed it was being "passed off as one of its products. deception was likely and the use of the similar slogan would not amount to misrepresentation. The judge accepted that Polo sales in 1994 totalled £41 million, and that known and "closely associated" by the public with round mints with a hole in the

similar to Polos and sold in similar sized tubes, and had been marketed in the US since 1912. The design was based on a miniature lifebelt, hence the name Lifesavers," he noted with legalistic caution. But he said that no decep-

tion was likely if Lifesavers were launched here as "the Original Mint with a Hole". and added that the use of the similar vlogan would not amount to misrepresentation. "I don't believe on the evidence that there is a serious issue to be tried," he conclud-

ed, which left a hole of such

alarming proportions in the



Sophie Rhys Jones has worked for Baby Lifeline

Medical charity to be questioned on finances

funds, said of Baby Lifeline:

are high. We will be having a

meeting with them on the question of fundraising costs

and other financial matters."

that during late 1994 and early 1995 new directors joined with

a brief to reverse the financial

performance. A three-year

plan began last year which saw £28,338 given in equip-ment donations out of an

income of £208.095. It claims

Baby Lifeline said yesterday

"Most members of the public would agree that these costs

A CHARITY for sick babies that employs Prince Edward's girlfriend as a consultant has been called upon to explain why only 16 per cent of money raised has gone to hospitals. yesterday to meet trustees of Baby Lifeline after it was disclosed that only £105,085 out of £634,275 raised in three years had been spent on lifesaving equipment.

Sophie Rhys Jones started working for the charity in 1995 when employed by the public relations agency MCM, and began independent consultancy work for it this year when he left the agency. She and Prince Edward attended a fundraising ball.

In 1992 just £8,375 of an income of £82,680 went on equipment donations and in 1994 the figure was £39,024 out of £241,864, of which £180,034 was spent on events and £66,841 on overheads.

Charities Aid Foundation, which collates statistics from the 180,000 registered charities, which are thought to have a combined income between £10 billion and £16 billion a year, said the 500 charities

an average of 14 per cent on administration. The Charity Commission, which protects the interests of those donating of this year, £64,502 out of £211,677 had been given.

Brian Message, the chairman, said: The board wel-

comes any investigation of the charity's financial affairs by the Charity Commission. The charity submitted unqualified audited accounts for the relevant periods and there is no question of any wrongdoing."
He said he hoped that any adverse publicity would not deter potential corporate sponsors for next year's

fundraising campaign for Mother and Baby Week. The Charity Commission said that Baby Lifeline appeared to be willing to accept

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4 Oxfam	86,798		18
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6 Save the Children Fund	91,983		12
7 Salvation Army	72,321	1,954	3
8 British Red Cross Soc	84,768		16
9 NSPCC	43,111		16
10 Help the Aged	38,707		20
11 Barnardo's	84,567		11
12 Cancer Relief Macmiln Fnd	37,642		18
13 RSPCA	37,604	9,873	26

Secretary claims she was treated as coffee slave

By A STAFF REPORTER

THE chief executive of a Bourne's out-tray, expecting publishing house treated his personal assistant as a slave and drew up a rota of seven female staff to keep him supplied with coffee while he we ked, an industrial tribuna was told vesterday.

Kee Sum Hooi, chief executive of Marshall Cavendish. bullied Joan Parker, his secretary, for two years because she once failed to make him a cup of coffee, it was claimed. He blocked any chance of promotion and treated her in a sexist fashion, the tribunal was told.

Mrs Parker, 38, said her employer nursed a grudge about an occasion in 1992 when she was busy and asked make coffee. She claimed that after the incident, Mr Hooi, 53, "niggled and griped" every time she made a drink.

"Mr Hooi was not happy with my tea or coffee and barked nastily at me every time, pointing out what was wrong with each drink," she said. "He seemed intent on breaking me and there was nothing I could do it."

The hearing was also told how the executive treated a. Ther secretary as "no more than a tea-lady and cleaner". It was claimed that he put used tissues in Susan

her to dispose of them. On another occasion, when Mr Hooi's personal assistant was absent, he arranged for a rota of seven women to take over coffee-making duties, the tribunal heard.

Mrs Bourne told the hearing: "Mr Hooi's main priority was for me to serve tea or coffee during the day. He told me on more than one occasion to make the drinks again if he did not like the colour or if it was too strong or too weak."

Surrey, is claiming sex discrimination and unfair dismissal at the tribunal' in Woburn Place, central my progress within the company, humiliated me and made my situation intolerable because he was not satisfied that I gave him a degree of feminine servility he demanded," she said, "I am absolutely certain that he did not expect this sort of servility from male

Marshall Cavendish claims that Mrs Parker was not entitled to automatic promo tion and accused her of adopting an unsatisfactory work-torule policy after failing to achieve promotion three times. The hearing continues





Kee Sum Hooi is accused of humiliating Joan Parker and of treating her in a sexist fashion

Yacht boy saved as father drowns

By RICHARD DUCE

A TERRIFIED boy was halfway. He said he had been stranded alone on board a yacht in heavy seas off the Cornish coast yesterday after his father was washed overboard. The 13-year-old was rescued by helicopter after calling for help on the radio.

Coastguards who answered the mayday call from the Timonaire kept the boy talking for half an hour to establish the vessel's position. His father's body was later recovered from the water.

Gerry Wood, of Falmouth coastguards, said he believed he boy was an Israeli named offa, whose father was a British citizen. Mr Wood said: We were talking on and off for about 30 minutes. It was a broken conversation. My main aim was to calm him down and talk him through so

I could get vital information. 'He said they had set off from Falmouth and were heading for Plymouth when his father changed his mind

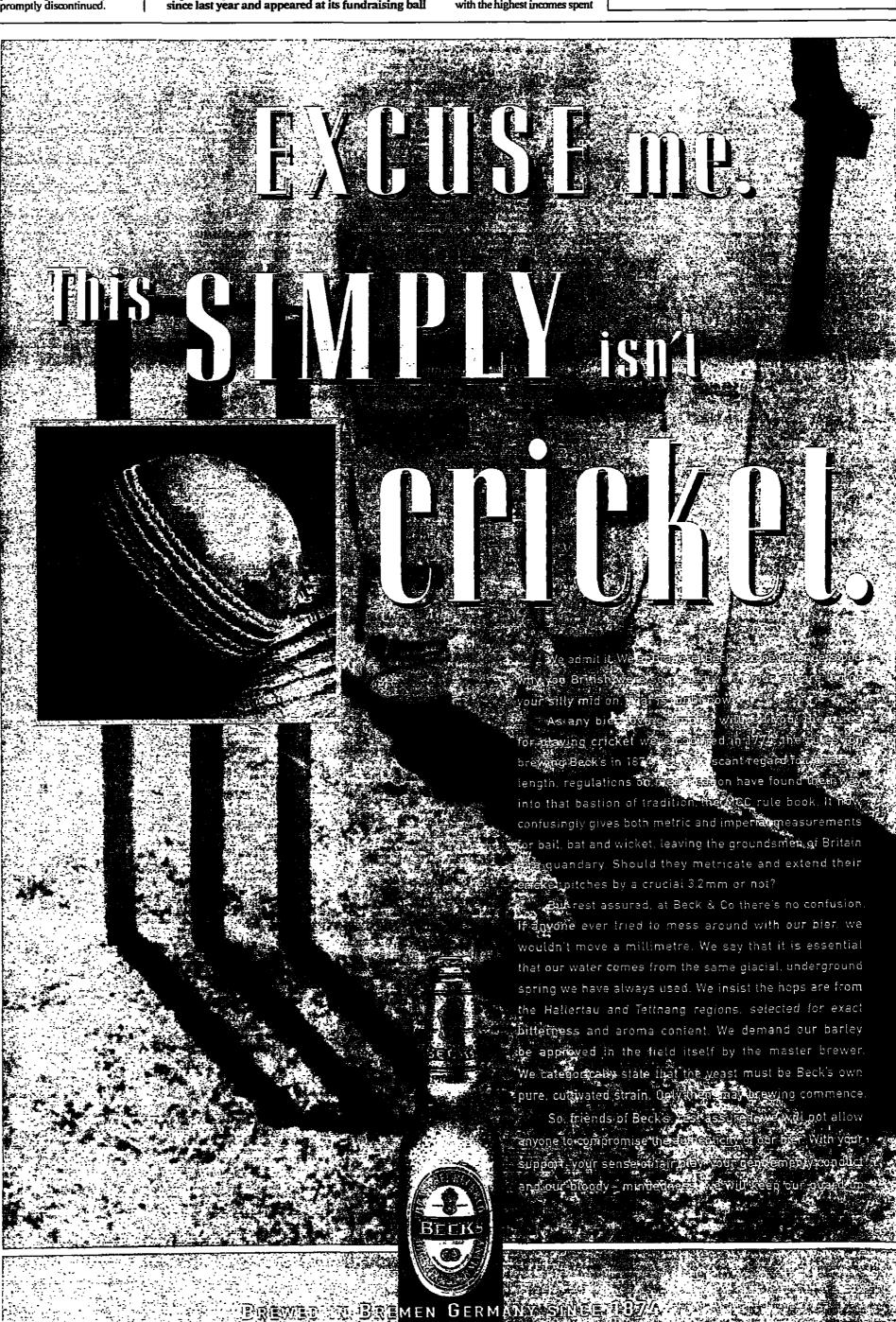
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asleep on the yacht. They were around half a mile from Looe island and the weather was particularly rough. There were force six winds."

The coastguards used radio location equipment as the boy helped to plot the yacht's position off Looe, south Cornwall. Mr Wood said: "Initially the boy said his father was wearing a life jacket, but a Fowey lifeboat crewman chatted to the boy when he got on board the yacht and found out that wasn't the case.

"He was quite calm by the end. I kept telling him people were coming and he knew I was telling the truth when he saw the helicopter arrive."

The dead man, believed to be in his forties, is thought to have fallen overboard about Ipm yesterday and was recovered floating face down in the water three hours later, about a mile and a half from the



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By MICHAEL HORNSBY, COUNT SOME of Britain's Tares: birds of prey, many once at close to extinction, are flourishing as they have not done for more than two decades. according to a new report Honey buzzards, marsh narriers Montagu's harrier red kites and ospreys are more numerous than at any time in the 22 years since ornithologiets beauty collections.

ornithologists began collecting detailed records.

The honey buzzard a summer victor to Reitain that mer visitor to Britain that feeds on bees and wasps numbered up to 25 breeding pairs in England and Scotland in 1994, compared with two pairs ten years earlier.
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There were III pairs of breeding red kites in Wales, up for in England and 28 pairs where they were reintrocatinet. Of the III red kite pairs in Of the 111 red kite pairs in Wales, 70 bred Successfully and reared 90 young — both record totals, the Rare Breedrecord totals, the ware threeding Birds Panel says in its is the journal British Birds.

A the journal British Birds. The panel Which includes members of the British Trust

for Ornithology and the Royal Society for the Protection

The osprey, left, and honey but humbers than two decades ap

Key. State schools in hold. LEA local duthority school, GM: grantmaintained. Vol. aid. voluntary dided school. FE: Further educations sector college. Sel: selective state school. Cump: non-selective. IB:

St Paul's boys are back on top of the A-level league

powerhouses of independent education returns to the top of The Times's A-level league table today. St Paul's School in west London pips neighbouring Westminster

School to the post. St Paul's, where fees are £8,082 a year, is the most consistent of the group of leading schools that dominate the table. Only last year's top school, Winchester College, can match the A-level performance of St Paul's during the past five years. Paul Woodruff, director of studies at St Paul's, said: "It's always nice to be top, but we like to play this down. Being top is not something

we consciously aim at." St Paul's invariably is at or near the top, however. The 713-pupil boys school in Barnes has been one of the four leading schools since the table first appeared in 1992. The 160 sixth-formers' average of 31.43 university entrance points is the equivalent of more than three A

■ More schools, both state and independent, have been included in The Times rankings of examination performance. This partly reflects pupils' higher achievement, John O'Leary writes

grades each. There were only three has added to the number of schools failures out of more than 500

Mr Woodruff acknowledged that the school's performance owed much to the highly selective intake. The results obviously reflect the quality of the intake, but we do not rest on our laurels."

The school was founded in 1509 by Dean Colet, a friend of Erasmus and Thomas More, moving to its present site less than 30 years ago. Among the many distinguished old boys are Kenneth Baker, the Conservative MP, Sir Isaiah Berlin, the philosopher, and Clement Freud, the Times columnist. Improved performance at A level

in the table. More than 700 schools are included in the summer's first comparison of leading state and independent schools' results.

The threshold for inclusion in the table has been lowered this year. in response to appeals from small schools, so that only those with fewer than ten candidates are excluded. The change has added almost 50 schools to the list, but a further 60 appear for the first time because of higher grades.

Each school's ranking is calculated from the average university entrance score for its A-level candidates. An A grade at A level is worth 10 points, B8, C6, D4 and E B4, C3, D2 and E1. The subject of general studies is excluded.

Independent schools' results were supplied by the Independent Schools Information Service. State schools' grades were collected in a survey by The Times, although some chose not to submit results. Most Scottish schools are not included because of their separate

examination system. The ranking is not intended to identify the best schools, but simply those with the top examination results. Tables such as this take no account of the quality of intake or extra-curricular activities.

On Saturday, August 31, The Times will publish a parallel table of GCSE results. Compiled by Christina Asare-Owusu, Chris Broadhurst, Jennifer d'Andrea, Paul Croughton and

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Pupils at St Paul's in west London, which has produced consistently good A-level results

GUIDE TO THE HIGHEST-RANKING STATE AND INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS

I St Paul's Sch, London (Boys)

I St Paul's Sch, London (Boys)

Westminster Sch, London (Mixed)

Eton Coil, Windsor, Berks (Boys)

Steon Coil, Windsor, Berks (Boys)

The North London Collegiate Sch, Edgware, (Girls)

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Steon Coil, Sch, London (Boys)

Radley Coil, Abingdon, Oxon (Boys)

I Donbridge Sch, Tonbridge, Kent (Boys)

I Badminton Sch, Bristol, Avon (Girls)

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I Wycombe Abbey Sch, High Wycombe, Bucks (Girls)

St Haberdashers' Aske's Sch, Herts (Boys)

I Haberdashers' Aske's Sch, Herts (Boys)

I Haberdashers' Aske's Sch, Girl Girls, Elstree, Herts (Girls)

I Royal Grammar Sch, Guildlord, Surrey (Boys)

I St Haberdashers' Aske's Sch, Herts (Girls)

King Edward VI Sch, Chelmsford (GM/Sel/Boys)

I St Withurn's Sch, Winchester, Hants (Girls)

St Mary's Sch, South Ascot, Berks (Girls)

The Lady Eleanor Holles Sch, Hampton, (Girls)

King Edward VI High Sch (Gr Girls, Birmingham (Girls)

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King's Sch, Canterbury, Kent (Mixed)

Bolton Sch (Boys Div), Bolton, Lanc (Boys)

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Magdalen Coil Sch, Oxford, Oxon (Boys)

Magdalen Coil Sch, Oxford, Oxon (Boys)

Sevenoaks Sch (A-levels), Sevenoaks, Kent (Mixed)

Leeds Girls' High Sch, Wakefield, W Yorks (Girls)

Heathfield Sch, Ascot, Berks (Girls)

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King's Sch. Bruton, Somerset (Mixed)

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Worth Sch, Crawley, W Sussex (Boys)

32 Ballyclare High Gramm Sch, Antrim (LEA/Sel/Mixed)

Duefford Grammar School, Ken! (GM/Sel/Boys)

Scarisbrick Hall Sch, Ormskirk, Lancs (Mixed)

Shebbear Coll, Beaworthy, Devon (Mixed)

Sir William Borlase's Grm Sch, Bucks (LEA/Sel/Mixed)

Tiffin School, Surrey (GM/Gram/Boys)

39 Bury Grammar Sch, Bury, Lancs (Boys)

Doual Sch, Reading, Berks (Mixed)

Holy Family High Sc, Liverpool (Church / Comp/Mixed)

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Woodhouse College, London (Fe/Comp/Mixed)

Eastbourne Coll, Eastbourne, E Sussex (Mixed)

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SI Edward's Sch, Oxford, Oxon (Mixed)
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196 Cranbrook School, Kent (GM/Sel/Mixed)
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Emanuel Sch, London (Boys)

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John Port School, Derbys (GM/Comp/Mixed)

Langley Grammar, Slough (GM/Sel/Mixed)

Queen Elizabeth's Grammar, Ashbrin (LEA/Comp/Mixed)

Tbridge Wells Gramm's School, Cheshire (LEA/Comp/Mixed)

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260 Clifton Colf. Bristol, Avon (Mixed)

17 Folkestone School for Girls. Kent (GM/Sel/Girls)

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215 Banbridge Academy, County Down (LEA/Sel/Mixed)

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59 Epsom Coll. Epsom. Surrey (Mixed)
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69 Perse Sch for Girls, Cambridge (Girls)
70 Bancroft's Sch. Woodford Green, Essex (Mixed)
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82 Dean Close Sch. Cheltenham, Glos (Mixed)
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Moira House Sch. Eastbourne, E Sussex (Girls)
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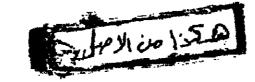
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I was quite optimistic, admits the teachers' son who achieved 11 starred-A passes

GCSE star keeps up standards in academic family

A MANCHESTER family yesterday staked its claim as the brightest in Britain when 16year-old Ronan Astin earned Il started-A passes at GCSE to add to his brother Ciaran's five A grades at A level last week. His younger brother Jarlath, who topped his year at St Ambrose College, a Roman Catholic grammar school in Altrincham, will take GCSE next year.

Ronan knew he was heading for good results in some subjects because his course work had attracted top grades. "I was quite optimistic, and A stars were what I was aiming for." he said. "But in the back J your mind you always wonder if something will go wrong somewhere."

His subjects were English literature and language, mathematics, religious education, physics, chemistry, biology, history, geography, French and German. He is hoping to follow his brother and take science subjects and history at A level. Ciaran starts an engineering degree at Fitz-william College, Cambridge, in October. Ronan said: "I haven't really thought that far yet, but it would be wonderful

to go to Cambridge."

The family is steeped in education: the boys' father is deputy head of a comprehensive school in Manchester and their mother a primary school teacher. Their sister Sinead is at Lancaster University.

Eleven-year-old Hafren Williams yesterday laid claim being the youngest pupil awarded a starred-A at GCSE. the grade introduced two



Morton: took maths to

Charlotte and Victoria Maltby, identical twins from Chard in Somerset, achieved identical results in their GCSEs. The 16-year olds both gained As in the same nine subjects including the same four starred-As — and Bs in music, at Colyton Gram-mar School in east Devon. They plan to take the same

years ago for exceptional performance considered a whole grade better than an A. Hafren lived in France before moving to Sheffield, where she studied alongside 16-year-olds for her French GCSE at High Storrs School.

Cheryle Berry, her head teacher, said: "We may start her off next year on A-level French and see about developing some of her other languages. It is our policy as a comprehensive to develop all the talents of individuals."

Joseph Catling, 12, also recorded a starred-A GCSE, in mathematics, at Christleton County High School in Chester. He plans to start A-level mathematics in September. Keval Gudka brought his

tally of starred-A grade GCSEs to 12 by gaining ten yesterday to add to French from last summer and Gujurati the year before Keval, who studied at Whitgift School in Croydon, south London, said the secret lay in thorough revision. "I don't tend to draw up a plan for revision. I go to one subject and try and revise it all and if I get bored I go on to another one," he said.

Karie Mellor volunteered for an extra GCSE in religious studies which helped to boost her total to II starred-A grades at Redborne Upper School, a comprehensive in Ampthill. Bedfordshire. The 11 starred-A feat was repeated by Robert Harland at Tonbridge School in Kent. John Fallas at The Hulme Grammar School in ter, scored 11 grade As, ten of which were starred.

Helen Grote, a deaf pupil at Colchester County High. Essex gained seven starred-As and two As, while Josie Wheeler, a blind pupil at the same school, earned seven A to C passes by dictating her

Birds of prey are flocking back in record numbers

By Michael Hornsby, countryside correspondent

birds of prey, many once close to extinction, are flouraccording to a new report. Honey buzzards, marsh harriers. Montagu's harriers, red kites and ospreys are more numerous than at any time in the 22 years since ornithologists began collect-

The honey buzzard, a sum-mer visitor to Britain that feeds on bees and wasps. numbered up to 28 breeding pairs in England and Scotland in 1994, compared with two pairs ten years earlier. There were 111 pairs of breeding red kites in Wales, up from 33 in 1984, and 28 pairs in England and Scotland, where they were reintro-duced in 1989 after becoming

Of the lil red kite pairs in Wales, 70 bred successfully and reared 90 young — both record totals, the Rare Breeding Birds Panel says in its annual report published in the journal British Birds. The panel, which includes members of the British Trust for Ornithology and the Royal Society for the Protection

SOME of Britain's rarest of Birds, collates and analyses data gathered from all over Britain. Marsh harriers, too, enjoyed a revival of fortunes, raising 255 young, mainly in the reed beds of East Anglia, com-pared with 66 in 1984. The rare Montagu's harrier bred 13 young from a record 15 sites in England. Ten years ago it was known at only two

In Scotland, ospreys had a

record year, 146 young being reared by 83 pairs that laid eggs. Among other birds highlighted in the report are ish coastal lagoons, and Dartford warblers, mainly found in the heath country of the New Forest, in Hamp-shire, and Dorset. The population of Dartford warblers was put at 1,675 pairs, the highest recorded.

Humphrey Crick, of the British Trust for Ornithology, said: "Legislation to protect birds of prey has played a big part in their recovery. But species such as the honey buzzard and the Montagu's harrier like a warm climate and may have benefited from the milder winters and hot summers of recent years."



The osprey, left, and honey buzzard are in greater numbers than two decades ago, a new report says



The A team: Ronan Astin, left, collected 1! starred-A GCSEs, while his brother Ciaran got five A-grade A levels

PC hurt as robbers open fire in street

By KATHRYN KNIGHT

A POLICEMAN was wounded yesterday when a robber opened fire with a semiautomatic weapon. The uniformed officer had been on routine patrol when he saw three men running to a vehicle after holding up a security

As he gave chase in Clapham, southwest London, one of the men fired five shots, wounding him in the leg. The injured officer fell but managed to radio for help.

He was taken to St Thomas's Hospital, where his condition was stable last night. The bullet passed through his left calf. The officer was based at the same station as PC Patrick Dunne, who was shot dead in October 1993.

Three robbers wearing crash helmets had held up the Security Express van yester-day outside a Natwest Bank branch. They held a pistol to the head of a guard to force one of his colleagues to throw a bag of money from the van. The getaway car was found in Sutton, south London.

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the Royal Grammar School in

hamshire, recorded its highest

A to C grade pass rate,

averaging ten per pupil.
Northwood Computer Tutorial College, a private college in northwest London, entered

40 pupils aged 9 to 15 for

GCSEs in computing. Nine-year-old Chantelle Naraine and ten-year-old Radhika

Radia both got B grades and ten-year-old Samira Sohail

Sixty-eight-year-old Alan Morton, who studied GCSE

mathematics so that he could

help his six grandchildren

with their homework, was

yesterday waiting for his re-

sult in the post. He received no

help with his own homework

during his year-long evening course at the Oxford College of

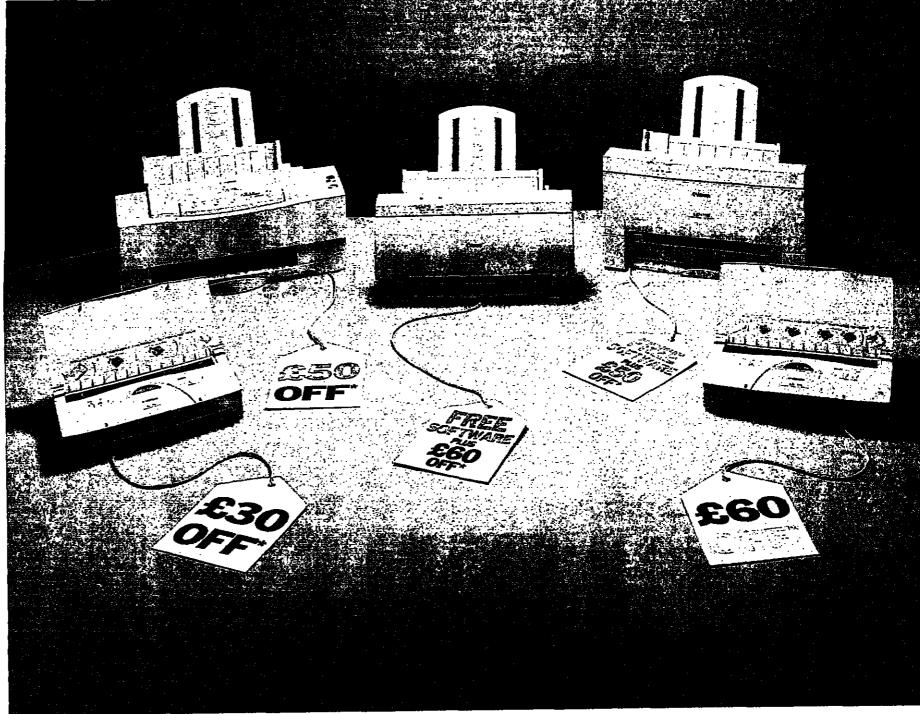
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NHS urged to lift curb on breast reduction surgery

By JEREMY LAURANCE HEALTH CORRESPONDENT

WOMEN seeking breast reduction surgery are having difficulty getting it on the National Health Service, in spite of the real benefits researchers say that it offers.

Cosmetic surgery is one of the few areas of healthcare being explicitly rationed, but researchers from Oxford say that breast reduction is more than an aesthetic treatment. In a study of 166 women who had the size of their breasts surgically reduced, they found that \$6 per cent reported substantial improvements in social and psychological

wellbeing. Many of the women suffered pain in the back, shoulder or neck and found exercise or sport uncomfortable. Some were sore from chaling skin and were embarrassed by their appearance. A number had to endure remarks and teasing. After the

saw a great deal of change in their appearance and described the surgical result as either excellent or very good. The proportion judged at risk of depression or other mental disorder fell from 41 per cent to 11 per cent.

The research team, led by Ray Fitzpatrick of the Department of Public Health at Oxford University, said that the findings should make those health authorities who deny women the operation think again. Writing in the British Medical Journal, they said that aesthetic concerns mattered, but that the benefits went beyond these. "Many women report feeling embarrassed, unattractive and self-conscious owing to the inordinate size of their breasts and the unwanted

attention the size attracts. "The Government, the public and NHS managers generally consider cosmetic surgery to be non-essential or of low priority ... Our results point to strong medical reasons for surgery and sig-

nificant health gains through treatment." A survey by the National Association of Health Authorities and Trusts published this year found 26 health authorities had rationed some form of treatment, including cosmetic surgery, in-vitro fertilisation and dental implants. In the Oxford region, two of the four districts excluded breast reduction as a routine treatment to save money. Latest available figures show that 2,353

women had breast reduction operations

on the NHS in 1993-94 at an estimated

cost of £2.6 million. The researchers said:

Breast reduction is still available on the

NHS but purchasers are asking whether this procedure and other forms of cosmetic surgery are justified in a cashlimited, state-funded medical system. "The evidence [of substantial improvements in wellbeing challenges the basis for resource allocation decisions on breast



Dorrell: admitted that

List of patients waiting for a year increases by 5,800

THE number of patients waiting more than a year for admission to NHS hospitals has doubled in three months.

Figures released by the Health Department yesterday show that there were 4.574 on March 30 but 10.374 on June 30. The rise is the first evidence of the pressure on the health service, which is facing one of its tightest financial vears in almost a decade. Stephen Dorrell, the Health Secretary, admitted earlier in the summer that waiting lists could lengthen.

Gerald Malone, the Health Minister, made light of the rise, saying that it reflected well-established seasonal trends". However, this year's between March and June compares with an increase This was up from 2,108 in the last year of 3.3 per cent. Mr Malone said that de-

spite the rise, the June figure was 22,000 lower than a year ago - "a dramatic year-onyear improvement. With more than a million people listed for hospital treatment. fewer than one in 100 was waiting longer than a year, he

Those waiting more than 18 months for treatment were down to 100 from 20,000 four years ago, the minister added. This is still 100 too many. Each of these patients is having his case looked at individually and will be offered treatment as soon as it can be arranged." Mr Malone

Trent region had the most patients waiting more than a previous period.

Mr Malone said: "Waiting times have been falling year after year, providing a dramatically improved service for patients. Not only are maximum waiting times being cut, but only half of all patients need to wait at all and half of those who do wait are admitted within six weeks."

The numbers of patients waiting between 12 and 17 months for hospital admission in the eight health regions were as follows, with last quarter's figures in brackets: Northern and Yorks 1,993 (127); Trent 2,996 (2,108): Anglia and Oxford 1,133 (746): North Thames 2,164 (934); South Thames 965 (33); South and West 1.021 (394): West Midlands 04 (39); North West

reduction surgery and, perhaps, other cosmetic surgery." Benefits of cosmetic operations can often go further than just skin deep

APPEARANCE matters to people. Those who perceive themselves as ugly and unattractive will suffer in their health, their interpersonal relationships and their job.

Agony aunts are asked about acne more often than any other subject: it can usually be adequately treated by any interested GP. However, problems referred to plastic surgeons whether it is breasts that are too small or too large, ears which stick out, noses which are unshapely, or abdomens which hang down like an apron - need an operation. Operations are expensive. At a

short of money, and when lifesaving surgery is delayed, many feel that cosmetic aesthetic surgery, however desirable, is not the best use of available funds.

There is confusion between plastic and reconstructive surgery and aesthetic plastic surgery. Plastic surgeons, whatever their particu-

lar interests, spend most of their time reconstructing faces, hands and bodies burnt in fires or mangled by accidents. Some have made a speciality of correcting congenital malformations, cleft palates, hairlips, absent ears or skulls which are mishapen. Not the hardest, toughest rightwing economist would sug-gest that these operations should not be done on the NHS.

The expertise derived from the experience in plastic and reconstructive surgery enables surgeons to become skilled cosmetic operators, whose expertise can be gainfully used to improve a person's natural appearance, or to reverse the ravages of time. Just as nobody would deny a child or a burn victim reconstructive cosmetic surgery, few would agree that people driven by a search for everlasting youth or flawless looks should have the bill met by the taxpayer. The difficulty arises when assessing an intermediate group. There are many people whose lives are adversely affected by physical characteristics which are no figment of a disordered imagination. but are all too ohvious to others. These disadvantages frequently affect the physical and mental health of the patient. Breast reduction is often a good example where surgery can be safely recom-

mended on medical grounds. Many women develop excessiveheavy breasts in puberty, although they are otherwise petite. It is not rare for each breast to weigh up to 5kg (more than 10lb).

breasts, aware that many men are fascinated by them. is embarrassed by the attention they draw and feels compelled to hide them by wearing baggy sweaters and to diminish their prominence further by rounding her shoulders. Largebreasted women often complain of backache - partly a result of the weight of the breasts and partly from the bad posture - bras cut into the skin, and the size causes inflammation underneath them.

Not surprisingly, patients with big breasts are often psychologicaldamaged. They not only lack confidence, but sometimes the damage reaches the point where

anti-depressants are prescribed. Other women have such tiny hreasts that they are frightened to strip in the school gym or bathe in public. Holidays become a night-mare. A good case can be made for treating these patients, if necessary on the NHS.

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Barry Jones, honorary secretary of the British Association of Acsthetic Surgeons, in his foreword to Safe Cosmetic Surgery, emphasised that the need for cosmetic surgery is not restricted by social boundaries and is needed by people from every walk of society.

DR THOMAS STUTTAFORD

Japanese tuna boats arrested in Irish waters

By Michael Hornsby, agriculture correspondent

TWO Japanese trawlers and their skippers were arrested by the Irish Navy yesterday on suspicion of fishing illegally for tuna inside Ireland's 200-mile limit. One of the boats had a 70-mile fishing line trailing behind it. Nearly 30 other Japanese fishing vessels were reported to be oper-ating just outside the limit and were being monitored closely.

It is the first time that Japanese boats have been detained in Irish waters. The first, the Minato Maru, was allegedly fishing 180 miles off Galway Bay. Officers from the Irish Navy patrol craft Aisling boarded the trawler and later escorted her to Castletownbere. Co Cork.

A spokesman for the Department of Defence said: The Japanese boat was carrying eight tonnes of tuna and nearly 70 nautical miles of longline fishing gear, which took ten hours to recover. The lines were trailed between buoys and had thousands of other lines with baited hooks hanging from them. The Japanese apparently prefer this method to the use of nets

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because it does less damage to the tuna.

Later another Irish Navy craft, the Deirdre, detained a second Japanese vessel which was allegedly fishing 19 miles inside the limit in the same area as the Minato Maru. Irish officials said they had

no recent records of Japanese boats fishing in such large numbers to the west of Ireland. The Japanese are among the world's biggest consumers of tuna, a highly prized ingre-dient in sushi, the rice-andraw-fish dish. In recent years the main competition for tuna in the North Atlantic at this time of year has been between Spanish, Cornish and French boats using longline gear and

drift nets. Nathan de Rozarieux, of the Cornish Fish Producers' Org-anisation in Newlyn, said: "Only about eight of our boats have been out tuna fishing this year. They made poor catches and poor prices and most are now back in port. I have never heard of the Japanese fishing in this area before. Perhaps they are finding tuna hard to come by elsewhere.

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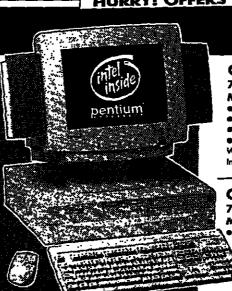
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Graves shed light on ancient British rulers

SCIENCE EDITOR

ARCHAEOLOGISTS have place of the ancient British ruling class, forced into submission by the Roman invasion. The graves, near Colchester, contain the bones of close relations and aides of Cunobelin — Shakespeare's Cymbeline — who was the most important British king at the time of the Roman inva-sion in AD 43.

Together with the bones in one grave were a Spanish amphora, probably buried full of wine, a bronze strainer, a large Samian bowl with moulded decoration, a brouch and a bronze saucepan. To keep the grave's occupant amused in the afterlife, it also contained the remains of a gaming board, with at least ne of the blue and white counters that would have been used to play a long-lost game. The remaining counters are expected to be found as the

ust skin deep

excavation continues. In a nearby grave a beautiful glass jar, blue and shot through with streaks of different colours, has been found close to another group of bones. Just a few inches tall, it was probably used for ointment or oil. In the same grave was found a blue glass bead the size of a cherry and



Glassware from one of the graves. After cremation, the royals were buried with utensils and games

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Colchester area, then a big

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marched to London along the

North Downs, and then on to

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The tradition among the

British was for important

people to be cremated on a

funeral pyre. Their bones were

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archaeologists, the custom

was to smash the pots and

glassware before they were

those of more junior people or

more distant relatives of

Cunobelin. Mr Crummy be-

arrunged in the grave. In a few graves - probably

British resistance,

decorated with twirls of

The finds, made by a team from the Colchester Archaeological Trust led by Philip Crumny, are the most important made at the site, long known to have been the site of a British funerary enclosure. They shed new light on the burial customs of the British aristocracy, which was conquered by a Roman force led by Claudius.

Cunobelin was the king of the Catuvellauni, a tribe that dominated the area and was the most important in southern England. The Romans described him as King of Britain.

As soon as they landed on the coast of Kent and defeated smashed. In one, a complete dinner service consisting of earthenware plates is carefully laid out, together with the

intact wine amphora.

The objects and bones would originally have been laid out in stout wooden boxes or chests, and of these no trace remains except the nails and the odd wood stain on the soil. Before cremation, the bodies would have lain in state in a central position on the site. surrounded by their various

"These burials were rare," Mr Crummy said. I don't believe we have yet found the grave of Cunobelin himself, but these people must have been his relations - brothers. uncles, maybe - and he would certainly have been present here for the ritual burials."

The excavation has been funded by Tarmac, which is holding an open day tomorrow between 10am and 4pm. The site is almost opposite Colchester Zoo, with parking near the volunteers' camp site.

lan Findlater, regional director of Tarmac Quarry Products, said that Tarmac was delighted to support the dig. The company has suspended gravel excavation on the site to give the archaeolo-



The site at Colchester provides fresh evidence about British funeral customs

Anti-drug mob fury halted by riot police

By AUDREY MAGEE

A CROWD threw stones and petrol bombs in a protest near the home of an alleged drug dealer yesterday, setting fire to his car. Police in riot gear were called to disperse them.

About 200 people had gathered to cheer outside the flats of three alleged dealers as they were arrested in Summerhill, Dublin. However, the mood turned violent as residents accused the Government of not doing enough to curb drugs. Police finally sealed off

George Royal, a member of the residents' association, said: "We have tried every lawful avenue open to us. We have been to the police, the Minister for Justice and nothing has changed. The only thing now is violence." The alleged dealers were subse-

quently released on ball.

About 7,000 people live in the one square mile around Summerhill, and approximately 1,500 are said to be using heroin, including children as young as 12 Most dealers buy supplies directly from Dublin's drug barons. two of whom are believed responsible for the murder of the investigative journalist Veronica Guerin.

Vigilante groups began forming in suburbs last April, holding all-night vigils and harassing dealers. One dealer was beaten to death last May.



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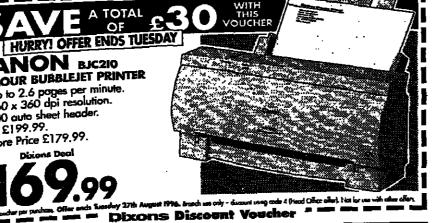
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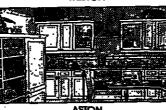
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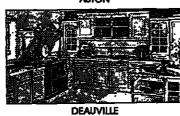










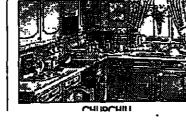








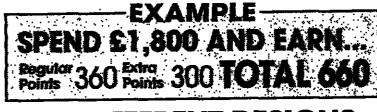








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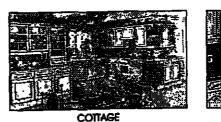
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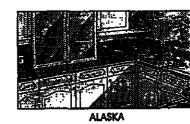
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Giant tortoises threatened by island plague

ENVIRONMENT CORRESPONDENT

A MYSTERIOUS disease has killed eight giant tortoises in the Galapagos Islands this month, leading to fears that an epidemic could decimate some of the world's most fascinating

Staff and researchers at the Galapagos National Park and the Charles Darwin Research Station have cordoned off a pond in an area called El Chato, on the island of Santa Cruz, to try to halt the spread of the disease.

Scientists are concerned to make sure that the disease is kept away from a rearing area for giant tortoises, 15 miles away. Some of the tortoises, an inspiration for Darwin's theory of evolution after he visited the islands off the coast of Ecuador, have been found with blood and froth pouring from their eyes, noses and

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have died, nine show signs of illness and apparent evidence of malnutrition. They seem lethargic, remaining immobile for several days, park staff

Nigel Sitwell, of the Galapagos Conservation Trust in London, said yesterday that the infected area held about 3.000 giant tortoises. "They have prohibited anyone going into the reserve to protect the lives of the tortoises not already affected, as it could be

blow for the tortoises, 11 races main out of the estimated 15 races that once populated the islands. The tortoises are being harmed by introduced species and the area is under increasing pressure from tour-ism and a population explosion.

"Most of the giant tortoises are threatened for one reason or another, mostly by the presence of feral goats which out-compete them for food," Mr Sitwell said, "On the island of Isabela, one of the biggest islands, with the majority of the tortoises, there has been an explosion in the goat population. At least one of the tortoise races will die out soon: it has only one male left, who is known as Lonesome

Dr Linda Cayot, a scientist at the Charles Darwin Research Station, said yesterday that blood and tissue tests were being carried out on the dead and sick tortoises. The



Giant tortoises on the island of Isabela: they were the inspiration for Darwin's theory of evolution

prolonged drought has con-

centrated diseases into the

water, which may have been

spread by cattle introduced

near by. A return of rains

could wash the infectious

diet might have weakened the animals sufficiently to make them vulnerable to attacks by diseases such as parasites. Preliminary tests indicate that the sick tortoises have high levels of nematode worms in

Darwin first encountered Another possibility is that a the tortoises in 1835 when he

agent away.

arrived on HMS Beagle. He was intrigued to see that the islands had different races of tortoises distinguished by their shells, some having dome-shaped and others hav-

ing saddle-shaped shells, depending on the height of the vegetation. Later the tortoises,

which evolved from the same species to fit subtly different ecological niches, played their role with such creatures as the islands' finches in helping Darwin to form his theory of

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best deals atoling in A church without people gets new pastor

BY PAUL WILKINSON

A TINY chapel run by the United Reformed Church on Holy Island has appointed a new minister. The challenge to the Rev Ian Fosten is that

it has no congregation. The last member of the Nonconformist flock there died four months ago and most of the 180 population of the remote Northumbrian isle attend Church of England services.

But Mr Fosten, 40, has not been sent on an evangelical "mission impossible" to the island, known historically as Lindisfarne and regarded as the cradle of Christianity in Britain. The C of E parish church is where people on the island worship," he szid. "It is not my intention to start

"But up to half a million people visit the island each year and many have been drawn to Lindisfarne because of its spiritual connections and have needs I can minister to in my little

chapel."
Mr Fosten has other duties, including twice-weekly services at Chatton, ten miles away on the mainland. He has spent the past 14 years at

'Rapist' is questioned on Brittany murder

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Police in Brittany investigating the rape and murder of Caroline Dickinson yesterday interviewed a man arrested after allegedly confessing to rape in the region during the

past three months. Police said that no direct link had been established with the murder of the Launceston schoolgirl, but that the man would be subjected to DNA testing. He was picked up in St Malo, 25 miles from Pleine Fougères, where she had been killed on July 18.

Bomb made safe

Almost 1,000 people were moved from their homes on Wednesday night when a Sec-ond World War bomb was found in Sheffield. They began returning yesterday after disposal experts blew up the 600lb bomb, which was found during building work.

Parole denied

The IRA bomber Ella O'Dwyer has been refused compassionate parole to leave Maghaberry jail in Co Antrim to visit her sick father in the Irish Republic. The Home: Office said it did not allow Category A prisoners to leave the country.

Eagle has landed

A lost eagle has been found safe, resting in a tree near Kendall. Cumbria. Olga, a Steppes Eagle with a 68 wingspan, went off course on a high thermal during a demonstration at the UK Fal-7 conry Centre near Thirsic. North Yorkshire, last Sunday

£200 for pinch

A shipbroker who pinched policewoman's bottom was ordered by Clerkenwell magistrates. London, to pay her £200 compensation. Barry. Williams, 23, of Beckenham, southeast London, admitted indecently assaulting WPC Jacqueline Addison.

Pollution penalty

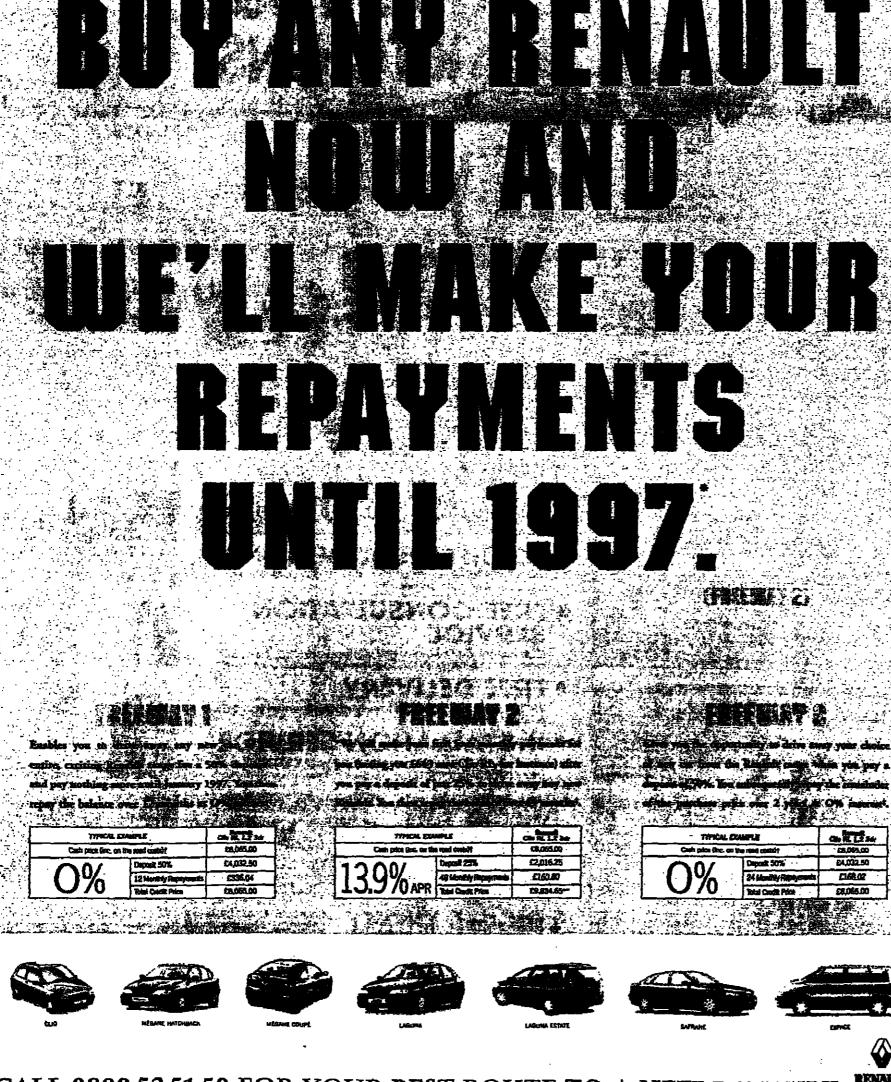
Water £7,000 for breaching environmental standards at a sewage treatment works. The company admitted discharging effluent with twice the specified level of ammonia into a stream near Camborne, west Cornwall.

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Mbeki apologises for ANC atrocities during struggle

FROM INIGO GILMORE IN JOHANNESBURG

IN BOLD evidence before the Truth and Reconciliation Commission. Thabo Mbeki, South Africa's First Deputy President, apologised yesterday for atrocities committed during the struggle against aparticid, but defended his party's "just war" against white rule.

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"We recognise there were excesses and want to apologise." Mr Mbeki said in reply to a question from the panel.

Seated in the positions occupied a day earlier by their one-time foes from the National Party. Mr Mbeki led a 23-member team that included Cabinet ministers, provincial leaders and backbench MPs. Among several hundred supporters who sat spellbound through the hearing was a man wearing a T-shirt with the words "ANC One Nation For Peace And Democracy".

Mr Mbeki told Archbishop Desmond Tutu, chairman of the commission, that the ANC resorted to violence in its struggle for democacy only in 1960 after white rule sad blocked all other avenues of protest. In the end, the fundamental issue we would like to present to the [commission] is that as a liberation movement we engaged in a just war for liberation," he said. "The conduct of that war should not be the subject of these proceedings."

Nevertheless Mr Mbeki conceded that some ANC members had exceeded their orders and the ANC statement acknowledged that the fight against government infiltration in ANC exile bases had been at times brutal. The statement named 34 people executed on the

Party's evidence on Wednesday and gave details of individual incidents. F.W. de Klerk, the National Party leader and Second Deputy President, said that his party had much to apologise for. but he said he had never sanctioned assassination and torture and argued that apartheid had been an honest, though misguid-

6 The fundamental issue we would like to present is that as a movement we engaged in a just war for liberation ?

orders of an ANC tribunal in Angola between 1980 and 1989. An ANC document listed details of torture methods used in a detention camp. "There were instances where we could have acted more firmly and speedily to prevent or stop abuses, and for that the ANC accepts collective responsibility." Mr Mbeki said.

tal issue we would like to present to the [commission] is that as a liberation movement we engaged marked contrast to the National

human rights abuses head-on and several times offered his party's apologies for what had happened. Replying to a question from the panel, he said it was wrong to think that the ANC had not told relations of the dead what had happened to their loved ones during the exile years and he referred to earlier statements released by the ANC in which the

ed, attempt to govern South Africa.

Mr Mheki tackled the issue of

party apologised.

The truth commission aims to

heal the past by confronting it and this week it has heard submissions from political parties to help in formulating a framework for judging whether acts of violence and human rights abuses were cummitted with a political motive

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Mr Mbeki said that the commission was a compromise between a "Nuremberg trials scenario" and an opportunity for perpetrators to escape without punishment; he added that there were many questions the commission needed answers to in connection with the murder of ANC members and the apartheid system.

He called for the commission to reopen investigations into the 1983 murder of Chris Hani, the Communist Party leader. He also asked for the commission to re-examine the cause of the plane crash in which President Machel of Mozambique, an ANC ally, was killed in October 1986.

Much discussion hinged on the armesty question and Mr Mbeki rejected the National Party's call for a general amnesty for perpetrators, saying that it was important that individuals should come forward and that their cases should be examined on merit.



Mbeki, First Deputy President, rejected calls for a general amnesty

Military kills 6,000 civilians after coup

FROM REUTER
IN BURUNDI

MORE than 6,000 people in Burundi were reported killed in the three weeks since the July 25 army coup, according to Amnesty International.

In a statement yesterday, the London-based group said the human rights situation in Burundi had continued to deteriorate, despite promises by Pierre Buyoya, the new Tutsi military ruler, to stop the killings

Amnesty said it had learned that at least 4,050 unarmed civilians were killed between July 27 and August 10 by government forces in the Gibeta district of the central province of Gitega alone.

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"Most of these victims were killed after the army came to their villages, ostensibly to obtain information about movements of rebels. Suldiers then assembled the victims and shot them," it said.

The United Nations refugee agency said it had completed the repatriation from Burundi of more than 45,000 Rwandan Huru refugees.

Change of mood as saintly Mandela's frailty is exposed

NELSON MANDELA'S formal announcement that he will not seek another term as the ANC's — and thus South Africa's — president comes at a time when there has been an almost tangible change of mood in the country.

The combination of a continuing corruption scandal, be Government's apparent impotence in the face of a crime wave, the rise of vigilantism, together with other signs that the Government lacks any sort of grip, has led to sharp criticisms of President Mandela in the press and even on the state-controlled radio.

For the first time, one can hear voices raised arguing that Mandela's usefulness is at an end and that it would be better if he went now rather than waiting until 1999.

The President remains

hugely popular on a purely personal level. The most recent poll gave him a 76 per cent approval rating, but this appreciation is, in a sense, hollow.

There are three main reasons for the change in mood. The fact that Mr Mandela has had to own up to an accusation that he accepted 2 million rands (£300.000) from a casino magnate has sone enormous damage. Worse, Mr Mandela claims this payment was only one of

NELSON MANDELA'S formal announcement that he which he alone was aware.

Secondly, there is crime. Stories abound of corrupt policemen, of Cabinet ministers associating with drug lords and of a general Government unwillingness to go beyond rhetoric in the struggle against crime.

Finally, there is the fact that Mr Mandela is beginning to show his 78 years. Recently he referred to Jim Bolger, the visiting New Zealand Prime Minister, as an Australian, and continued to do so even after Mr Bolger had corrected him.

Similarly, television showed him receiving a deputation of "Women Against Rape"—with irrelevant boasts of how many women there were in the Cabinet until one of the women asked what on earth that had to do with rape. Or again, it was noticeable that Mandela, while defending Cheryl Carolus, the ANC acting secretary-general, repeatedly referred to her as

Probably none of this will be enough to make Mr Mandela go. But more and more voices are asking whether the country can really afford an ineffectual president for the next two and a half years.

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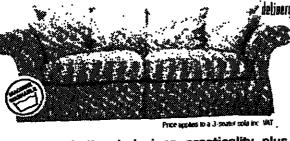
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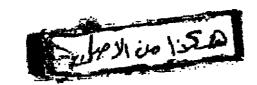
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Move seen as bid to aid EMU

German rate cut starts a chain reaction

By Janet Bush, economics correspondent

THE Bundesbank surprised and delighted financial markets yesterday with an aggressive cut in interest rates that was widely interpreted as an attempt to keep plans for a single currency on track.

Germany's central bank said that it was cutting its repo rate from 3.3 per cent to 3 per cent, a much bigger cut than analysts had expected. Its official discount and Lombard rates were held unchanged, as expected, at 2.25 per cent and

4.5 per cent respectively.

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The Netherlands and Austria also cut rates. Outside Europe, Canada seized the opportunity to cut rates too.

Shares were boosted throughout Europe and the dollar jumped against the mark. In London, the FT-SE 100 index closed 19 points higher at 3.891.1, another record high. The dollar, which closed in New York on Wednesday at around DM1.4825, rallied to DM1.4965 in late European trade yesterday.

The size of the Bundesbank's move convinced most commentators that the bank was trying to head off any further currency turmoil, par-ticularly surrounding the frane, which has wobbled recently, in order to keep plans for monetary union in 1999 on

The franc had come under pressure recently on speculation that France was privately urging delay to the formation of the single currency because of the difficulty of meeting the Maastricht Treaty's deficit crihad also speculated that the Bank of France was under pressure to cut French rates unilaterally, even at the risk of a weaker franc, to achieve healthier economic growth.

Robert Prior-Wandesforde, of HSBC James Capel, said: In effect, the Bundesbank has thrown the ball firmly into France's court. It is now up to France to come up with the goods in terms of an aggressive and credible budget programme for 1997." Paris is expected to unveil a tough package including spending cuts next month.

Tony Norfield, of ABN Amro Bank, said: "If European currency pressures were not relieved and if European interest rates were hindered

from falling further, the EMU project would clearly be put at risk. This is an outcome which not only the German Govern-ment but also the Bundesbank would fight to prevent."

The official explanation for yesterday's move from Hans Tietmeyer, the Bundesbank President, was a slowdown in the growth of German M3 money supply and low infla-tion. Earlier this week, annualised growth slowed to 8.6 per cent in July from 9.6 per cent in June.

But hopes of a monetary easing had then faded after a much stronger reading of business confidence from the Ifo institute, which many economists thought might stay the Bundesbank's hand.

Bundesbank watchers concluded that, apart from a desire to offer a helping hand to France through its difficult deficit-cutting process, the German bank was also uncomfortable with the strength of the mark in spite of the latest hint in survey evidence

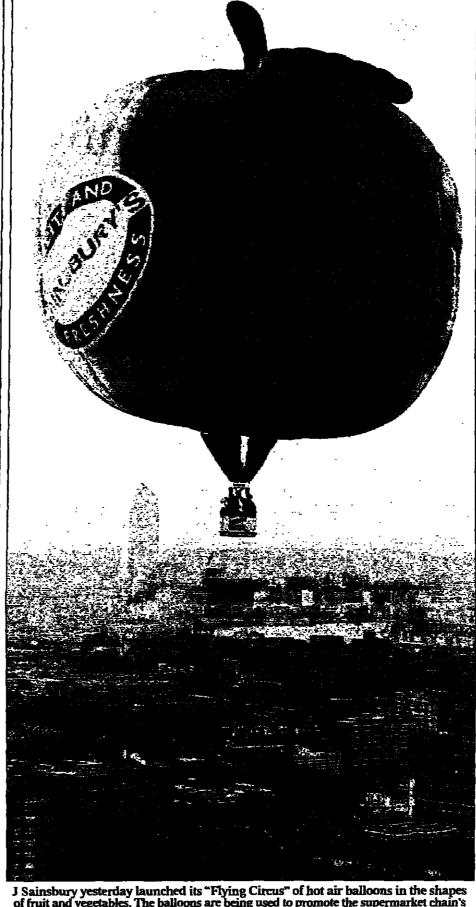
recovering Others suggested that, by moving the repo rate in one large move, the Bundesbank hoped to erase speculation about easier rates in Germany once and for all.

☐ Further evidence that the American economy may be slowing from its robust second quarter growth came in figures yesterday showing that the number of Americans filing for unemployment benefit has risen for the third week in a row. This news was seen as early

stification for the decision this week by the US Federal Reserve not to raise American interest rates.

per cent of the total in issue.

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of fruit and vegetables. The balloons are being used to promote the supermarket chain's fresh produce and will appear at Sainsbury stores across the country in the coming weeks

Tobacco moves knock **BAT**

By Alasdair Murray

shares

A FURTHER £750 million was wiped off the market value of BAT, the tobacco and financial services company, yesterday — as the smoking industry continued to be dogged by legal and regulatory

challenges in the US. The shares fell 24p to close at 422p. More than £5 billion has been knocked off the market value of the company since the shares hit a high of

585p in February.
The latest decline comes after news that the White House is on the verge of imposing strict new regulations on tobacco advertising and sales and fears that the industry is set to lose another damages case.

The new federal rules are expected to be similar to recnmendations made last year by the Food and Drug Administration. These include a ban on cigarette vending machines and mail-order sales and restrictions on advertising that may be seen by minors.

BAT, which owns Brown and Williamson in the US, yesterday insisted that it was not worried by the impact of the advertising regulations. But BAT, in common with

other tobacco companies, will take legal action if the White the industry to the FDA. The FDA insists tobacco should be classified as a drug and that it should be granted complete freedom to regulate its sale. The market has also been

troubled by the outcome of a

case in Indiana involving a

woman claiming damages for the death of her husband from smoking-related causes. Legal experts believe a defeat for the industry, so closely after the award of \$750,000 in another damages case, would imply a sea-change in court attitudes.

Analysts claimed that the latest fall in BAT's price may rule out the possibility of demerger. Pennington, page 27 **BUSINESS TODAY**

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Giving it away

THE prospect of stronger progresses, improving still further in 1997, should mear

that the Chancellor opts for a cautious Budget in November, according to the Confederation of British Industry. The CBI, which yesterday unveiled both its latest economic forecast and its monthly trends survey. said that it now expects Kenneth Clarke to give away tax cuts worth £2 billion. Page 26

Holding on

Rentokil, the pest control and services company, surprised the City yesterday by saying that it was not planning to sell off large parts of BET, the rival business services group City Diary, page 29 that it bought earlier this Feel the heat, page 29 year. Page 27. Pennington 27

Farmers support Dairy Crest float

By Sarah Cunningham

FARMERS have shown overwhelming support for the £171 million Dairy Crest flotation, with 88 per cent of the 29,000 eligible for free shares in the company opting to take them. rather than a cash alternative.

The farmers, who formerly owned Dairy Crest through the Milk Marketing Board, will between them have majority control of the company's shares when dealings start on August 28.

An offer to backers of a rolling fund, which was set up to settle some outstanding debts, was oversubscribed. Institutional investors took their full allotment of 33

The company reduced its flotation price to 155p at the end of last month because of the difficult market conditions for new issues. Initially analysts had expected Dairy Crest to go for nearer 190p per Lord Rayleigh's Dairies, the Essex-based company that supplies milk to London and

the south east of England, has gone into administration pecause of tough trading conditions, including the rising cost of raw milk. The administrators, from Coopers & Lybrand, the accountant, are in talks with possible buyers and hope to conclude a deal million shares, equal to 30

Soccer transfers inquiry launched

By Jason Nissé

THE Inland Revenue has launched an investigation into the transfer of as many as 80 football players from European clubs into the Premiership in England.

The existence of the inquiry, by the Revenue's Special Compliance Office, was revealed yesterday by Peter Hill-Wood, chairman of Arsenal, at the annual shareholders' meeting. At the same time, he said

Arsenal had decided against a

stock market flotation for the time being. The club recently asked Merrill Lynch, the broker, to look into a float. The Inland Revenue confirmed the investigation, say-

place over the last two seasons. In that time, 76 players have been bought from European clubs. Total value of the transfer transactions is about £200 million and the amount of unpaid tax could run into tens of millions.

The board of West Ham United pushed through its controversial plans to limit trading in its shares, despite the motion being lost on a show-of-hands vote at the club's extraordinary shareholders meeting. Only one of the shareholders attending supported the motion. The board held proxies for 89 per cent of the shares, comfortably outvoting the 3 per cent who

ing that it was looking at all the transfers that had taken

opposed the motion.

Which? credit cards launched



The no-fee Which? cards

ALL eyes will be on the Consumers' Association after its launch yesterday of a Which? credit card. "One would hope they offer the most competitive rate," was the joke going round the rest

of the credit card industry. Many a true word is spoken in jest, however, but the rates published by the sssociation vesterday did not appear particularly attractive.

Unabashed the association is proud of its first financial product, which will give cardholders free access to the Which? legal team offering, it says, "real consumer power" and setting the agenda in terms of consumer service.

The credit card industry was quick to put down its latest rival. One company asked: "How will they be able to report unbiasedly on credit cards from now

The association said: "We have an undisputed track record for independence in scrutinising goods and services and hope that the Which? name will carry as much clout at the checkout as it already does in the high

Sheila McKechnie, the association's director, added: "By entering the market. Which? will have an impact on overall levels of service and will benefit all consumers long term." The card, which The Times revealed

was in the offing five months ago, will be run by Beneficial Bank, known for running affinity cards. There is no annual fee. The interest rate starts at 13.9 per cent APR, but jumps to 18.9 per cent APR after six months. On the Gold card, there is an introductory rate of 11.9 per cent, rising to 16.9 per cent.

Beneficial will pay the association £5 for every card taken out and make donations of 0.27 per cent every time a card is used.

Sainsbury yesterday became the first major supermarket chain to agree to accept the American Express card in all its stores. The companies said that the decision was reached after a successful trial in ten stores.

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By Sarah Cunningham

THE MANAGERS of Signet's Ernest Jones and H Samuel jewellery chains are believed to be in talks about buying out the businesses with the backing of Apax Partners, the venture capital company that has been negotiating with Signet for several

A plan for Apax to buy a large stake in Goldsmiths, the independent jewellery chain. and then merge its business with Ernest Jones appears to have been abandoned.

The final deal with Apax is set to be ready within the next fortnight. Apax is expected to pay at least £280 million.

Neither Apax nor Signet would comment on their continuing talks yesterday. Signet, formerly known as Ratners, plans to use the proceeds of the sale to reduce its debts, totalling £308 million at its February year end. Jurek Piasecki, chairman and chief executive of Goldsmiths, said yesterday that he was still interested in a deal with Signet "at the right price". But he added: "Our

He was speaking as he revealed a pre-tax profit for Goldsmiths in the six months ended July 27 of £54.000, compared with a loss of

involvement, if any, is not yet

£489,000 a year ago. The company doubled its interim dividend to 2.4p per share. The final dividend will depend on "the all-important

Christmas trading". Mr Piasecki said like-forlike trading in the six months was up 11.7 per cent and that 'August continues strong".

The company is opening and plans to open 15 a year for the next five years.



Jurek Piasecki, Goldsmiths chairman and chief executive, revealed interim accounts in the black at £54,000

Growth prospects point to £2bn tax cuts, says CBI

ECONOMICS CORRESPONDENT

THE prospect of stronger growth as this year progresses, improving still further in 1997, should mean that the Chancellor opts for a cautious Budget in November. according to the Confederation of British Industry.

The CBI, which yesterday unveiled both its latest economic forecast and its monthly trends survey, said that it now expects Kenneth Clarke to give away tax cuts worth £2 billion. But this would be balanced by spending cuts of £4.5 billion, representing a significant tightening in its

fiscal stance overall. In May, the CBI had forecast a net tax giveway of £1 billion. The CBI yesterday emphasi-

sed that it is merely forecast-ing what it believes the Chancellor will do in November, not what he ought to do. The CBI will unveil its advice for the Budget late next

Nevertheless. Kate Barker. the CBI's Chief Economic Advisor and a member of the Chancellor's independent forecasting panel, hinted that any net tax giveway would not approved of. She said: "After five years of recovery. we really ought to be seeing public borrowing coming down more quickly than it is." trends survey, published yes-terday, showed manufactur-On interest rates, Ms Barker said the CBI would not be ing firms are reporting a rise pressing for another cut if the in overall demand in August economy grows as it expects. Its forecast assumes no but that orders are still below normal for this time of year. change in rates until the third However, the news on inflaquarter of next year when tion is promising, with firms rates could rise from the expecting no change in prices current level by a quarter for the rest of this year. point to 6 per cent.

The Office for National The CBI's view of the economy is rosy, with growth expect-Statistics yesterday left its be 2 per cent this year. estimate of second-quarter accelerating to 3.1 per cent in economic growth unrevised at 1997. Underlying inflation is 0.4 per cent. But a different expected to be 2.6 per cent at the split, with lower stocks and end of this year and 2.5 per cent buoyant demand, suggested the economy could see a in the fourth quarter of 1997. The Government's inflation tarhealthy acceleration in growth get is 2.5 per cent or less.

HSBC to buy for \$620m in America

By MARIANNE CURPHEY

JUST eight months after NatWest Bank left retail banking in the United States. HSBC Holdings, parent of Midland Bank, is increasing its US retail exposure via a \$620 million deal.

Marine Midland Bank, the US retail banking subsidiary of HSBC, based in New York State, is to buy First Federal Savings and Loan Association of Rochester, New York, from Toronto-based CT Financial

Marine Midland operates 330 branches in New York State and has its headquarters in Buffalo. It is the principal US subsidiary of HSBC Americas, which has \$22.7 billion in assets. HSBC said yesterday that the deal would be financed through Marine Midland's own capital. Jim Cleave, president and chief executive officer of Marine Midland Bank, and chief executive officer of HSBC Americas, said the acquisition was aimed at expanding the scope of our operations to a wider retail customer base".

In December NatWest sold Bancorp, its US retail banking subsidiary, for \$3.6 billion.

Midland Marine's latest proposed purchase follows its acquisition in 1994 of Spectrum Home Mortgage, which now operates in eight US states. In 1995 it acquired United Northern Federal Savings Bank, with branches in New York, as well as the six New York City-based retail branches of HSBC's Hongkong and Shanghai Banking

Corporation Ltd. First Federal has \$7.2 billion in assets, 1,600 employees and 79 retail branches in New York State. HSBC said it hoped the transaction would in the second half of this year. be completed by year-end.

said that it would appeal.

Mr Elliott left Elders in

1992, when the group was close to collapse after running

up losses of more than A\$3.2 billion. The Elders debt moun-

tain has since been cut by asset

sales aimed at focusing the

company, now the Foster's

Brewing Group, on its core

brewing business.

BUSINESS ROUNDUP

US delay as Lloyd's plan deadline nears

LLOYD'S of London faced another agonising wait yesterday after an American judge delayed ruling on a crucial case in Virginia for another day. District Judge Robert Payne had been expected to rule yesterday on an application by a group of American names seeking an injunction on the Lloyd's £3.2 billion settlement plan. The names say they need full details of the proposed financing of Equitas, the planned new reinsurance company, before deciding whether to back the reconstruction and renewal plan.

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Lloyd's says the case belongs in the UK courts. Ron-Sandler, chief executive, remains in Richmond, Virginia, for the court ruling, which comes dangerously close to the deadline for accepting the Lloyd's settlement offer. Names have until noon on Wednesday to return their acceptance forms — or risk being pursued through the courts for their liabilities. Lloyd's will immediately appeal against an

Grid out to lobby Offer

THE National Grid is urging its shareholders to lobby Offer, the electricity industry regulator, over the company's impending price control review. A letter is being sent to shareholders just a day after Ofgas climbed down on its price proposals for British Gas's pipelines business. The Grid. which faced criticism from its regulator over remuneration levels, denied that it was trying to make political capital from concessions offered by Ofgas after lobbying from British Gas shareholders. The Grid will send more than a million letters outlining its case, in which asset valuation is fundamental.

Beer system backed

JOHN TAYLOR, the Corporate and Consumer Affairs Minister, has defended the guest beer system operated by Britain's pubs. In a letter to Stewart Miller, managing director of Whitbread pubs, Mr Taylor said: "The [European] Commission's concern is that the provision indirectly discriminates in favour of UK brewers, contrary to Article 30 of the Treaty of Rome. The UK does not accept this." The guest beer provision allows pub tenants tied to national brewers to buy any caskconditioned beer. But as most continental brewers produce lager, the EC ruled the provision to be discriminatory.

Sharp drop at Avesta

AVESTA SHEFFIELD, the Anglo-Swedish stainless steel company, yesterday reported a sharp drop in profits for the first quarter. Avesta said: "A further deterioration in profits is expected for the second quarter. There are, however, signs that sales prices will recover during the autumn." Avesta, 51 per cent owned by British Steel, reported pre-tax profits of SKr 228 million (£22.26 million) for the first quarter, almost SKr I billion lower. Sales fell 25 per cent to SKr 4.58 billion. Demand for stainless products have been satisfactory but cold-rolled product prices have fallen sharply.

Qantas needs more cuts

QANTAS, the Australian airline, yesterday delivered a 37 per cent rise in full-year net profits but said it would need to cut a further A\$100 million (£50 million) from its cost base this year to compensate for an expected slowdown in revenue growth. The airline, in which British Airways has a 25 per cent stake, has already pledged to cut its cost base by A\$1 billion over three years. Total revenues were A\$380 million below expectations, in spite of rising 6.1 per cent to A\$7.6 billion. International operating profits edged up to A\$267.8 million, below he higher acting profits edged up to A\$267.8 million, helped by higher returns from UK and US routes.

Whatman interim rises

WHATMAN, the specialist separations technology company, is increasing the interim dividend by 12 per cent to 4.5p a share after reporting a seven per cent rise in profits to £5.2 million before tax in the six months to June 30. Earnings also rose seven per cent to 14.5p a share. The shares rose 34p to 469p yesterday. The company said prospects for each sector of the business were good, adding that the market was responding enthusiastically

BASF issues warning

BASF, the German chemicals company, yesterday said its 1996 profits would at least match those of 1995, but gave warning there were still no signs of any sustained economic recovery. BASF reported pre-tax profits rose 14.7 per cent to DM2.32 billion in the first half of this year. In the second quarter profits rose five per cent to DM1.2 billion. Earnings growth in the first half was largely attributable to a reduction in special charges and favourable currency movements. The number of employees at BASF fell by 1,157.

US hope at Albert Fisher

ALBERT FISHER, the food processing and distribution group, said yesterday that it is close to reaching a deal for the disposal of a majority holding in its north American distribution business. Discussions with an unnamed financial partner are "progressing satisfactorily and are now well advanced", the company said. A deal is expected within a month. In an upbeat trading statement ahead of its final results in October, the company said continuing operations are showing strong growth compared with last year.

H&C in palm oil deal

HARRISONS & CROSFIELD, the timber and building products company, is to sell its 54 per cent interest in New Britain Palm Oil to the State of Papua New Guinea for \$655 million. The business comprises polm oil plantations, a small coffee estate, and an oil crushing and processing plant. It earned operating profits of £26.7 million on sales of £74 million in 1995. Net assets were £54 million at the year-end. The transaction continues H&C's withdrawal from commodity areas, freeing funds for investment in industrial business.

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was in the mid-range of analysts' forecasts of 1.46 billion and 1.56 billion guilders. Insurance profits rose 16,8 per cent to 1.16 billion guilders while first-half pre-tax banking profit jumped 39.2 per cent to 1.02 billion guilders. The interim dividend rises

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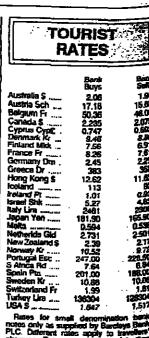
Personnel study warns of threat to jobs Call for £3.50 wage floor BY CHRISTINE BUCKLEY, INDUSTRIAL CORRESPONDENT

JOBS would be jeopardised if a national minimum wage were set any higher than

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IN THE MATTER OF THE INSURANCE COMPANIES ACT 1982 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Pesition, was on the 9 May presented to fier Majesty's fligh Court of Justice in England by Cler Medical and General Life Assummer Society (the "Society") for:

CLERICAL MEDICAL INVESTMENT GROUP LIMITED

Medical and General Life Assurance Society (the "Society) res.

(1) an Order under Part I of Schedule 2C to the Insurance Companies Act 1982 (the "Act") sunctioning a scheme the "Scheme") providing for the transfer to Clerical Medical Investment Group Limited ("CMIG") of the whole of the long term incurance business extend on by the Society in the United Kingdom. Gibrahar and Limited buying and 21 an Order making uncillary provision in connection with the impli of the Scheme under paragraph 5 of the said Part L.

Copies of the Petition, the Scheme, and a Report by an Independent Actuary a required by paragraph 2111 of the said Part I may be inspected at each of the offices specified in the Schedule hereo during usual business hours for period of at least 21 days from the first publication of this stouce. The Petricus et directed to be beard before the Companies Court Registra for Royal Courts of Justice, Strand, London WCZA T.L. on Wednesday

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IN THE MATTER OF OWEN A ROBINSON PLC

IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPANIES ACT 1985 NOTICE IS HERSEY GIVEN that the Order of the Bigh Court of Justice. Chancery Division of the Jist day of July 1996 confirming the reduction of the capital of the above-named Company from 69,844,20450 to 22,172,732.18 and the reduction of the share premium account of the above-named Company by IZ410,320 and the Minutes approved by the Company by IZ410,320 and the Minutes approved by the Company by IZ410,320 and the several perticular sequence by the above-named Company by IZ410,320 and INDUSTRIES of the STATE OF THE PROPERTY OF COMPANIES OF THE COMPANY OF THE PROPERTY OF THE

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vency act awas a selective, of the check of the CERRITUES of the above memod Company will be held on 9 SEPTEMERE 1996 at 14 57AR HILL, ROCHESTER, EINT MEI INB at 12.00 neon for the purposes mentioned in Section 99 et seq of the said Act.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that E. W. Sheppard FIPA 'OF 4 Charterhouse Square, London, ECIM 6EM is appointed to act as the qualified insolvency Practices or purposant to section 98 (2) (a) of the said Act who will further the section of the section 98 (2) (a) of the said Act who will further sections of the said Act who will section Royal Station, Botel, Noville Street, Newslies 1996 at 10:20 am to form the street of the state administrators' proposal writing for I Brown and I. H. Gatoff Dutotre & Touche Gainsborrough Homes 34-40 Grey Street Newcastle Upon Tyne NEI 6AE

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A meeting of the creditors of Tower Brans Limited is to be heed at The Took Suite, The General Blood, Leeds, LSI 1Pt. on 29 August 1976 at 200 pm under the previous of Section 48 of the Insolvency Act 1976. The previous of this meeting is to receive of this meeting is to receive of the appoint a committee of creditors. It is creditors wisk to do so, to appoint a committee of creditors. Creditors may obtain a copy of the report, free of charge, by writing in Price Waterfreque, 9 Sond Court, Leeds, LSI 28N. Creditors who have not received notice of the meeting and wish to artend should courtact the receiver office (reiephone member (0113) 2442044) and safe for (0113) 2442044) and also for Creditors whose chains are websily secured are not retilied to artend or be respresented at to S.23(2)(b) of the Lacovency
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Elliott cleared of Elders charge

FROM REUTERS IN MELBOURNE

AN AUSTRALIAN court has inadmissable, the prosecution acquitted John Elliott, a for- told the court. The prosecution mer corporate high-flyer, of defrauding his old business empire of A\$66.5 million (£33.2 million). making him a rare survivor of the free-

wheeling 1980s. Mr Elliott, once head of one of Australia's biggest companies and rumoured to have been a prime ministerial hopeful, grinned and hugged his family after the Supreme Court found him not guilty.

"I have today been totally vindicated," he said as he left the courtroom, in stark contrast to the case of Alan Bond. a fellow 1980s high-flyer, who was jailed for fraud this week. The court acquitted Mr Elliott and his two co-accused of defrauding the brewing, finance and pastoral group

Elders IXL after the prosecution withdrew its case. An earlier court ruling meant much of the evidence against Mr Elliott and Peter Scanlon and Ken Biggins, his fellow Elders executives, was



Elliott: "totally vindicated"

Banking puts ING 28%

ING GROUP, the Dutch sinancial services company that took over Barings in 1995. yesterday said a surge in earnings from its banking business drave net profits 28 per cent higher in the first half of this year. It warned shareholders, however, that the sharp increase in net profits was unlikely to be repeated in the second half.

ING said profits rose to 1.51 billion guilders (about £585 million) from 1.18 billion guil-

PUBLIC NOTICES

The IPD uses a report. published today, that it commissioned from the Employment Policy Institute to lobby for a minimum wage to be set between £3 and £3.50 should the Labour Party form the next government.

£3.50, according to the Insti-

though the amount has yet to be fixed. Trade unions are currently calling for the rate to be set at more than £4. John Philpott, author of the

employers in labour-intensive industries would be limited in their ability to recover higher wage bills through increased efficiency and would have to cut jobs or accept smaller profits. But he says that a minimum wage of up to £3.50 would "in all probability add less than I per cent to total economy-wide wage costs. . - and threaten few, if any jobs."

John Stevens, director of pro-fessional policy at the IPD, mum wage defeats its own purpose. If set too high, it in training. It could be the last straw for employers who are already struggling to survive with producers overseas," Unison, the union covering industries such as healthcare. local government and educa-

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BUSINESS NEWS 27

☐TODAY — please let it be

today, yet more delay would be too much to bear — Allied Domecq and Bass will finally announce the £200 million sale of Carlsberg-Tutley, the beauty

But even then almost one pub in five will be owned by the three big browers — this in addition to

drinking or a feudal relic that

stifles consumer choice.

Brussels thinks the latter, but

the Eurocrats have never been keen on the British pub. In October. Commissioner Karel van Miert publishes his Green

Paper on European competition

issues. This has missed even more deadlines than Carlsberg-

Tetley, but its eventual appear-

ance will allow the Commission

to start to look at whether the

British pub as it exists now should be allowed to continue.

The tied system, as operated

here, is, strictly speaking, illegal

under the Treaty of Rome, which bans vertical integration be-

tween producers and retailers.

But then so are a lot of things.

Similar integration is plentiful

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Nigel Whittaker, formerly a director of Kingfisher, the retail group that encompasses Woolworths and Comet. If the merger goes ahead, Mr Whittaker will become chairman of the enlarged Card Clear.

While both companies offer the same list of stolen credit cards, they have complimen-tary client bases, with

CLASSIC FM, the national broadcaster of

classical music, is to be taken over by

GWR, the Bristol-based radio group, in a

deal expected to be announced today

(Clare Stewart writes). GWR already has

17 per cent and is believed to be acquiring

the 33 per cent stake of Time Warner, the

US media group, lifting its stake to 50 per

cent. It is suggested GWR would look to

acquire further holdings from other smaller shareholders, who include The

John Spearman. Classic FM's chief

executive, is expected to remain with the

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Cardcast mainly serving su-

Classic FM overture by GWR

Classic's overseas activities.

company he has led since its formation. In

May he announced plans to move posts

and become deputy chairman this sum-

mer to concentrate on developing

Classic FM began broacasting in

September 1992 and attracts 4.6 million

listeners weekly. It has expanded over-

seas with the launch of a sister station in

Holland, interests in Sweden and Finland

and a franchise agreement with Sony in

the US. Last year it showed profits of

E281,000. Although speculation has sug-

gested Classic FM intended to float on the stock market, its management have always denied such an intention. Takeover by GWR would make available financial resources to develop Classic

FM's UK and international activities. GWR, one of the largest commercial radio groups in the UK, announced interim pre-tax profits of E3.1 million in June. UK interests include a 31 per cent stake in London News Radio, and ownership of Chiltern Radio and East Anglian Radio.

What ales Brussels?

☐ Threat to the British pub draws nearer ☐ Moral panic over tobacco ☐ Motives behind the Bundesbank move

of Carlsberg-Tetley, the brewer.
One of the largely unnoticed results will be to shift 6 per cent of Britain's 61,000 pubs out of the Ties on the Continent tend to be financial, brewer granting a publican a loan in return for taking his beer, rather than property-based, as here. They are no less powerful — try getting a glass of anything other than the 80 per cent plus of brewing capacity they will also own. The fie is, according to taste, an integral part of the British way of drinking or a fauld relic that Bitburg lager anywhere near that Rheinland town. The block exemption to the Treaty granted to our brewers comes up for renewal at the end of 1997, but the industry, steely-eyed in its vigilance against Euro-interference, has already lobbied Brussels.

They say, probably correctly, that any ban would hit smaller regional brewers hardest because four fifths of their production goes to their tied estate, as opposed to just 20 per cent from what will be the Big Three, Bass/Carslberg Tetley, Scottish Courage and Whit-bread. The chances of Brussels refusing to renew the exemption are probably worse than a full implementation, on deadline, of Maastricht - that is, pretty slim.

But Brussels is already heading for a collision with Britain over beer, having recently given 40 days' notice before taking us

to court over the provision of guest beers. The EC says, bizarrely, that Britain is dis-criminating against foreign lager, as if there was any difficulty in getting hold of the stuff. Again, it will probably come to nothing, but it is an indication of how the wind is blowing in Brussels, and John Taylor, a trade minister, was on

the defence again yesterday. The ever-changing, ever-con-stant British pub is under no serious danger - yet. How many more decades of EC membership the tied system can survive is one of those imponderables littering the corridors of Brussels.

No smoke without ire

☐ ONE should never forget that America was founded by immigrants fleeing religious freedom in favour of religious intolerance. It is also the only developed country within living memory to have banned alcohol.

Hardly surprising, therefore, that something called the Association for Non-smokers' Rights is **PENNINGTON**



gleefully celebrating the latest crackdown on tobacco in the US with forecasts that the weed will one day be on a par with cocaine and heroin. Smokers will be-come drug-addicted outcasts, the association claims. Shivering on street corners, desperate to feed their addiction, no doubt, so no change there from the scene outside the average office block in winter,

All this comes in the same week that a survey showed a record number of young Americans turning to hard drugs. The two may not be unconnected. The figures suggest that the steady decline in tobacco sales, down by a lifth over the past decade to a short 500 billion eigs a year, may have reached a

plateau. While older American smokers may give up, the habit is catching on among the young. As political commentators have recently discovered here, there is nothing like the demonisation of the product to give it chic appeal.

The actual measures against

tobacco now contemplated are

not going to do much to send sales into sharp reverse again. They involve limits on advertising and promotion, but no complete ban, and the abolition of cigarette vending machines and free samples. (Free samples? One is reminded of Tom Lehrer's Old Dope Peddler, who handed out the same to kids "because he knows full well! That today's young innocent faces/ Will be tomorrow's clientele".)

The only certain way of limiting smoking is a complete ban. This would be politically and fiscally unacceptable, and the big tobacco companies know it, whatever the Association of Po-Faced Indignation thinks. Mild obstacles placed in their way will not dissuade addicts. Neither is the rash of court cases likely to end in much serious damage to the companies. If you take this

view, every plunge for tobacco shares on the latest outbreak of moral panic represents a buying opportunity for investors.

Franco-Prussian alliance

☐ IT WOULD be a huge mis-take to assume that the Bundesbank would allow itself the luxury of altruism. And yet most commentators seeking to justify yesterday's aggressive cut in the repo rate assumed that the iron men of Frankfurt had softened out of pity for their distressed colleagues in Paris.

There is no doubt that the many ways designed to be ill built out.

move was designed to bail out the troubled franc, make room for a desperately needed French interest rate cut and give Jacques Chirac a lighting chance of meeting the Maastricht deficit criteria without having used grapeshot on rioting mobs. But this does not rule out entirely justified German self-interest.

The Bundesbank knew that the repo cut was not risky. German inflation is subdued. money supply growth has eased and the economy, although rebounding, is certainly not yet strong. Beyond that, a little bit more growth would suit Germany. It is not just France which is struggling to meet the Maastricht delicit criteria. With-

out a smart recovery Germany is likely to miss the target too. More than any other consideration, the Bundesbank wants to keep the illusion of progress towards the single currency

Otmar Issing, its chief economist, reputed to be among them - are deeply suspicious of a monetary union which would cede power to lesser central bankers. But any hint that EMU is collapsing would send the mark into the stratosphere. And even the Bundesbank cannot be seen to preside over such damage to the German economy.

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Rat trap

☐ SIR Clive Thompson is the latest boss to be seduced by the siren calls of the image merchants. Long unhappy with being thought of as a mere ratcatcher, his company is reborn as Rentokil Initial, which keeps rat-catching in there somewhere while trading on BET's best-known brands. Rather cumbersome, though; should one not logically shorten Rentokil Initial

Rentokil rules out any large disposals of BET

RENTOKIL, the pest control and personnel services company, surprised the City yesterday when it revealed it was not planning to sell off major parts of BET, the rival business services group it bought

earlier this year.

Announcing half-year results. Sir Clive Thompson. group chief executive, ruled out any such moves saying, "any disposals will be a refining of the portfolio as distinct from any major sale". He added that there had been approaches from a large num-ber of potential buyers.

A first contribution from BET, acquired after a hostile £2 billion bid, propelled first-half results ahead at Rentokil. £842 million, while pre-tax profits rose 35.6 per cent to £134.5 million in the six months to June 30. Earnings per share rose 20.9 per cent to 7.87p, while the dividend increased 20.3 per cent to 1.48p. Rentokil shares rose 10p to 419p.

Sir Clive reiterated the company's objective of achieving annual growth of 20 per cent in profits and earnings.

Stripping out the two-month contribution from BET, Rentokil pre-tax profits edged over the 20 per cent target with a 20.4 per growth to £119.4 million, on turnover ahead 24.1 per cent to £497.7 million. The slowest growth was



Sir Clive Thompson of the renamed Rentokil Initial

scen in the UK where Rentokil profits rose I5 per cent to £48.3 million. The fast-growing Asia Pacific and African businesses lifted profits to £27 million. a rise of nearly 32 per cent. The acquisition of BET

translated Rentokil's net cash of £96 million at June 1995 to net debt of £589.1 million. BET husinesses had been cashflow negative for the past three years, Christopher Pearce, finance director, said, "We are

improving the cash generation

of these businesses."

Incorporating BET's 50 businesses into the Rentokil group cost £2.5 million in the first two months. The full cost may be about £20 million, some of which will impact on the second half, one analyst

Sir Clive also announced that the enlarged group is to be renamed Rentokil Initial, reflecting the company's plans to develop two interna-tional brands". Initial, ac-quired with BET, spans catering to hospital services in the UK and overseas.

Integration of BET has already prompted the departure of all its divisional directors and John Clark, chief execuclaim for compensation of £3.3 million and is due to bring his case before the High Court on

Closure of BET's two London offices has led to the loss of 99 jobs and, Sir Clive said, will add up to annual savings of £20 million. Further job losses are expected, but Sir Clive said the numbers will be low.

Nigel Utley, an analyst at Greig Middleton, is forecast-ing full-year profits of £322 million and a dividend of

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Dockyards setback for Weir

WEIR, the engineering group, returned lacklustre first-half results, but insisted that strong trading in the second half would take it to record profits by the yearend (Fraser Nelson writes).

Pre-tax profits for the six months to June 28 fell 4.8 per cent to £19.2 million, which the company blamed on a £3.5 million drop from its dockyards at Devonport and Strachan and Henshaw. They were hit by disruptions from extensive refurbishment. The setbacks delayed the start of its submarine refitting con-

Earnings fell 0.5p to 6.8p. The interim dividend rises from 2.2p to 2.3lp. It will be paid on November 8.

tracts, pushing its progress

milestone payment into

profits advance 25% By George Sivell

NEWS INTERNATIONAL. owner of The Times, yesterday reported a 25 per cent increase in operating profit to £153.1 million for the year to the end of June on sales up from £841.3 million to £1,007.1 million.

Leslie Hinton, executive chairman of News Interna-tional, said: "These excellent results have been achieved in an environment of fierce competition and rapidly escalating raw material costs." He added: "Our significant

investments in bold marketing strategies are continuing to give strong circulation growth and improved market shares. We look forward to the next financial year with confidence."

At the pre-tax level, profits

year included the one-off gain from the British Sky Broadcasting flotation. On July 26, holders of News

News International

International special dividend shares approved proposals for The News Corporation, the parent company, to acquire all of the outstanding special dividend shares in exchange for News Corp preferred shares. The proposals are expected to become effective on 6 September.

The new preferred shares will rank for the final dividend for the year declared by News Corp. The same proposals provide for News International preference shareholders to be paid a final dividend together with payment of the capital sums due from News Corp.

£415.9 million but the previous Corp revealed a 10 per cent tained at A\$0.30.

rise in revenues, to \$9.9 bil lion, in the year to June 30, although profits after tax before abnormal items fell 4 per cent to \$953 million and earnings per share fell 12 per

Total operating profits slipped from \$1,226 million to \$1,203 million in spite of a rise in costs of \$300 million across the group caused by higher paper prices. Operating profits after tax and abnormal items fell from \$1,008 million to \$770 million, or from \$1.36

to \$0.96 per ADR. A final unfranked News Corp dividend (not grossed up for tax purposes) is payable on October 15.

The annual ordinary dividend per ADR is maintained at A\$0.12 and the annual preferred dividend is main

Card rivals join to secure future

By Fraser Nelson

THE four-year rivalry between Cardcast and Card Clear finally ended yesterday when the two credit card security companies, both overseas expansion. quoted on the Alternative In-Shares in the two comvestment Market, agreed to

merge. The paper deal values Cardcast at £15.4 million. In a five-for-two share swap. each Cardcast share is being valued at 95p. a 14 per cent premium to the price when the bid talks began on August 8. Card Clear shares fell 2p to 36p. Cardcast's were unchanged, at 86p.

The chairman of Cardcast is

permarkets and Card Clear concentrating on petrol stations. The two said that joining forces would given them more muscle to focus on

panies have see-sawed since Cardcast joined AIM in April. with investors betting that only one would triumph.



Whittaker: chairman

August car sales disappoint dealers

By Fraser Nelson

THE predicted August boom in new car sales has failed to materialise, according to Evans Halshaw and Quicks Group, the auto distribution companies, which both reported interim results

yesterday. Although volumes of new car sales were ahead of last year's, both companies said that the increase was only marginal and added that the squeeze on margins had continued throughout the month.

Total August sales are expected to be 3 per cent volume ahead of last time, as dealers nurse margins instead of going for manufacturers' bonus sales targets.

In the six months to June 30, both companies increased the volumes of new car sales by 2 per cent, against a sector increase of 5.1 per cent. Evans Halshaw attributed this to smaller manufacturers, who had increased their market share at the expense of the

major players. Quicks was ahead on its used car volumes, which jumped 34 per cent. After generating sales of £34.9 million in its highmargin spare parts division, 24 per cent more than last time. Quicks saw its pre-tax profit rise by 18 per cent, to

£2.79 million Evans Halshaw was hit by poor sales of Ford, Rover and Vauxhall, and its pre-tax profits fell from £8.2 million to

Closing five of its smaller dealerships cost £300,000 over the half year. The group said that further closure costs would feature in its second half, but promised that its final dividend would be

Evans Halshaw is paying a maintained interim dividend of 5.5p on October 16, from earnings of 15.2p. down from 17.1p. Quicks is paying 2.75p (2.5p) on November 8, from earnings up by 1.5p, to 7.8p.

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Berisford fell from 173p to 160p as a result of an industri-

al dispute. The unionised

workforce at the Magnet

Kitchen factory in Darlington

ourchase of a further 30 per

cent stake in Recoletos, the

Spanish newspaper group.

Pearson now holds 95 per cent

FKI's results for the first

four months of the new year

lifted the shares 4p to 187p. A

growing recovery in the North

American market since last

year was seen as a reason to be

cheerful at the engineering

company's offices. A number

of prospective acquisitions are

also said to be under active

Ericsson announced the

signing of a new deal with

Thai Telephone & Telecom-

munication to supply hard-

ware for the provinces outside

Bangkok. Valued at \$60 mil-

lion, the contract also includes

installations and training.

Ericsson's share price re-

mained at 150p nevertheless.

☐ GILT-EDGED : Thanks to

the Bundesbank rate cut gilts

ended with a half-point gain.

September contracts settled at

£107.29, up £1432, having

Some salesmen suggested that the unexpectedly large cut signalled that this may be the last one for a while. "We have

seen people saying that if there

was a decent rally on that cut.

ten basis points higher at

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□ NEW YORK: Shares on

Wall Street rebounded on

news of the sharp reduction in

a key German interest rate

and helped by technology

sector gains. By midday the

Dow Jones Industrial average

was 23.67 points ahead at

The December future closed

look to sell again," one said.

peaked at £108.07.

of the shares.

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German rate cut boosts building materials sector

THE FT-SE 100 index was driven to a fresh high of 3,891.1 by a wave of statistical and interest rate changes across

Europe yesterday.

The Bundesbank's decision to reduce its repo rate by 30 basis points to 3 per cent was followed by the French, who cut the equivalent intervention rate to 3.35 per cent from 3.55

per cent.
The most direct beneficiary of these cuts was the building materials sector. Companies like Redland and RMC. which are exposed to the German economy, rose strongly on the move to make borrowing cheaper for German and French house-builders. RMC rose from £10.52 to £10.75 and Redland was lifted from 435p to 450p.

Andrew Mairose, European construction analyst at Paribas Capital Markets, warned investors that such a small cut will not reverse an expected decline in the sector over the next three to four years. Tight public purses ahead of the move to a single currency are squeezing the

On top of the two rate cuts the CBI published a survey of the latest industrial trends. which painted a positive picture of the chemicals sector. In slow trading BOC rose 3p to 878p, ICI from 782p to 79212p. Inspec closed at 197, up 3p, and Laporte rose 2p to 744p.

The Prudential led equities

higher with a rise of 17p to 442p in anticipation of an early flotation of its Mercantile and General subsidiary, which is expected to raise over £1.3 billion. Other insurance issues pushed ahead in support. Britannic was up 7p to 722p, Legal & General gained Sp to 730p, and Commercial Union made up 8p to 60lp.

GrandMet eased another 12p to 474p after a fall of 212p the previous day. Profit-taking was thought to account for the fall after GrandMet reached record highs.

The positive mood of the market remained. Goldman Sachs said: "GrandMet pays close attention to return on capital and is the most consumer-oriented of the spirits companies in our universe. It remains our favoured com-

pany in the spirits sector"... Interim results from come from market followers. rising 10p to 419p. The pest control and security company said that it is sticking with its

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20 per cent growth target. which it has met for the past 14

Forth Ports at 563p fell 2p and the Go-Ahead Group at 303p fell lp. Mersey Docks stabilised at 404p after Wednesday's plunge on the downgrading of analysts' fullyear forecasts. Railtrack also closed unchanged at 24812p as earlier rumours of a US stock-

market, have been placed in receivership. The rest of the

Risk-takers with exotic tastes may want to turn their attention to RTZ, the mining group. In a statement to the Stock Exchange about its diamond programme, RTZ said it is exploring an area of unknown size and economic potential. The shares went up from 966p to 976p.

building exercise subsided. A disappointing interim setback at Dawsongroup wiped off 41p from the share price to

on the move after Wednesday's fall and rose from 524p

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rose 2p tp 2llp and Hillsdown gained 4p at 191p. Hillsdown had been praised in a food review by BZW.

Hanson was up from 15812p to 162p after modest buyer interest, but a return to previous heights is still a long way off. Elsewhere in the diversified industrials sector

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food companies for a second day running. Unigate rose from 432p to 439p and Northern Foods improved 5p to 210p. Following the Milk Marque pricing changes the foods sector was helped by yesterday's news that Lord Rayleigh's Dairies, which controlled 2 per cent of the milk

sector generally followed suit. Tate & Lyle were up from 466p to 470p, United Biscuits



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Labour pains

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Rentokil needs to stem

attention to BET's weakness-

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the pennies in its own till.

The company saw an extra

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WEIR GROUP has the mis-

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While Rentokii drew our

BET's heavy cash outflow.

THE stock market had almost forgotten about strikes. Once upon a time, labour relations were an issue for investors - or, to be precise, where the issue was raised, investors tended to be absent. News, yesterday, that a Berisford plant was threatened with shutdown felt like a blast of cold air from

Or is it a harbinger of the future? The threatened strike at the Magnet kitchens plant in Darlington is interesting because it suggests that some workers may be feeling more confident. The dispute centres on an agreement struck in 1993 capping hourly pay. The deal was struck when pay was higher than local rates, and the unions now want it scrapped.

Working days lost in strikes fell slowly throughout the 1980s, but remained in millions to 1990. The most significant reduction was during the recession. Thatcherite employment legislation seemed to have less effect on the power of unions than a relentless round of redundancies: over the five years to 1995, lost working hours fell from 761,000 to 415,000.

The question is whether the cowed British worker is beginning to feel more confident. Employment deserts remain across Britain, but, overall, unemployment is falling and it is logical to assume that a reduced supply of surplus labour will encourage workers to demand more and management to settle for a higher hourly rate. However, for managers, there are strong pressures not to concede a per cent here or there. The ability of manufacturers to automatically pass on cost increases to retailers has disappeared and a loss of competitive edge is not easily won back. We could be in for more strikes.

the post.

surge, only partly explained

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BET will probably do the

job: boosting earnings growth as Rentokil's core

businesses slow down, but

there is little reason to award

huge premium ratings to

cyclical businesses such as

plant hire just because they

are owned by Rentokil.

Rentokil

IN A TEDIOUS re-run of this year's bid battle, Rentokil's chief executive delivered a verbal demolition of the management culture of BET's former bosses. The purpose was to explain how loose financial controls were to be replaced with the single-minded culture of Rentokil. But, with the BET board and 99 staff long gone. Rentokil has cleansed BET of its harmful influences. The question is how quickly the junior management can be fitted into Rentokil

straitiackets. Unfortunately. Rentokil raised a few doubts yesterday on its own strategic direction. The retention of BET's plant hire business conveniently protects Rentokil from the earnings dilution that would result

from a sale. But plant hire is

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question must be how well it can do on its own. On the evidence of yesterday's halfyear results, the high street jewellers business is doing well. For a company so affected by Christmas a small profit in the first half is highly respectable.

grow. It has only 3 per cent of the jewellery market while Signet's businesses, Ernest Jones and H Samuel, boast 18 per cent. Argos accounts

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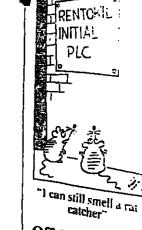
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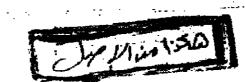
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PANIC in the cigarette market yesterday, as another court case neared its end and President Clinton was expected to classify nicotine as a drug, reminded one old tobacco analyst of the money his company made in previous health

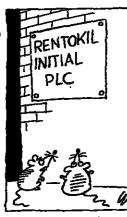
Every time, shares in eigarette companies plunged on the expectation of a squeeze on profitabilily. But it never arrived: the tobacco companies adjusted the machines to put a strand or two less in each cigarette. Profits were maintained, so were dividends and shares learnt to live with bad news. Unfortunately, that all changed with greater regulation of the content of cigarettes making it harder for investment houses today to make

Canning's move

BIG changes at Burson Marsteller, the PR firm, where Alison Canning, chief executive of the London office, is leaving after 13 years to pursue new interests. Canning, 37, has held the top post for the past two years. Burson is restructuring globally into specialist practice groups, and her job has disappeared. Canning, who re-structured the London office, and set up and ran Cohn & Wolfe, Burson's subsidiary, leaves at the end of next month.

Full voice

FORM an orderly queue, please, for your complimentary copy of the latest compact disc from the Bayer Male Voice Choir. The German chemicals company is making available the CD. which was recorded during the first tour of Britain this year by the choir. The German accents on the rendition of Land of Hope and Glory may jar a little, but heaven knows what England football supporters will make of You'll Never Walk Alone ...



"I can still smell a rat

PETER HILL-WOOD.

Offside

the merchant banker who chairs Arsenal Football Club, attempted to field questions about the recent sacking of manager Bruce Rioch and Arsenal's inability to name a replace-ment. Mr Hill-Wood described the imminent appointment of Frenchman Arsène Wenger as one of the year's worst kept secrets", but said Arsenal could not make a formal announcement because it had given an undertaking not to do so. "Who have you given the undertaking to?" asked a sharehoider. Wenger," was Mr Hill-Wood's world weary reply.

Bartlett drive

A SORRY tale reaches us from Ford Open Prison in considering publishing his story. We have not heard the last of him.

Now the tobacco giants begin to feel the heat

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Murray says the industry's apparent aura of invincibility

is no more

rady Carter cuts an unlikely figure as the man who may go down in history for felling one of the world's oldest and most powerful industries. Mr Carter, a 60-yearold retired air traffic controller, has passed most of his life in the happy obscurity of Orange Park, Florida, Like many of his generation he smoked - enjoying his favour-ite brand of filterless Lucky Strikes for most of his adult life - before he contracted lung cancer in 1992.

Mr Carter and his wife, Millie, decided to seek compensation for his illness, which resulted in him losing part of a lung, from Brown and Williamson. an American tobacco company owned by

The omens were hardly good for Mr Carter even though his lawyer. Norwood Wilner, had cut his teeth winning millions of dollars of compensation from asbestos companies. But the tobacco industry was different: it had faced hundreds of damages cases in the past 30 years and had never lost a single case.

But to everyone's surprise, a jury found in favour of Mr Carter and awarded him and his wife a total of \$750,000 in damages. Paying up is unlikely to prove a problem for BAT. The sum is small change for a company that made total profits of £2.4 billion last year, including £1.6 billion in its tobacco division, and which spends £50 million a year on fighting cases such as these.

Nor did Mr Carter establish a legal precedent that could be employed in hundreds of similar cases to reach favourable settlements. But the case has brought to an end the industry's apparent aura of invincibility — just as it is facing an escalating battle to fend off punitive regulation on other fronts.

it is perhaps premature to pronounce the death of the tobacco industry. Smoking remains one of the world's favourite addictions -- or "habit" as the industry prefers to term it.

An estimated 15 billion cigarettes are smoked every day. including more than a billion a day in America, one of the many Western markets regarded as being in long-term decline. Philip Morris, the world's second largest cigarette company after the stateowned Chinese tobacco company, believes that the world market will grow 20 per cent by the end of the decade. Morris, which owns the Marlboro brand, reckons that

Western companies have bare-

markets in the developing world. In China, for instance, just 10 per cent of the market is

for Western eigarettes. BAT, meanwhile, announced only yesterday that it was setting up a new company in India in alliance with ITC, its existing Indian partner, to help to sell its main export and Lucky Strike.

The industry is also able to produce tobacco products with profit margins that make most other industries green with envy. Imperial Tobacco, which is about to floated off as part of the demerger of Hanson. makes an estimated margin of 45 per cent on brands such as

Embassy and John Player Special.

About 15 billion cigarettes, including over a billion in the US, are smoked every day

In the context of a world market that seems to offer a licence to print money, the battles in America become almost parochial. The industry rightly points out that it is long way from paying out any damages. There have been few breakthroughs for the anti-smoking lobby in other Western markets, with about 300 cases in the UK recently denied the support of

Legal Aid. In America itself, recent cases have still been concluded mainly in favour of the industry. The Castano class action, a legal attempt to establish a nationwide precedent for dam-

The decision by Liggett, the fifth largest tobacco company in the US, to settle two antismoking actions shocked the industry back in the spring. But the deal has since proved to be a damp squib, with a

ages, was dismissed in May.

series of complex get-out clauses limiting its impact, and the market concluding that it was really only part of complex machinations by Bennett LeBow, Liggett's chairman, to take control and demerge RJR Nabisco, a rival

There is also a very real chance that the Carter case will be overturned when it goes to appeal, as happened with a similar case in New Jersey in 1988. But the victory has given the anti-smoking lobby new hope. If a widow in damages in the next few days for the death from lung cancer of her husband, there is a real possibility that the industry will face a torrent of new cases.

The tobacco companies are also facing a number of other legal challenges, including 13 states suing for the medical costs of treating smokers and a suries of class action cases also being lodged at state level. There is a growing feeling that under huge legal pressure the industry will eventually have to concede some ground.

The tobacco company's predicament is compounded by the increasing legislative threat to smoking. Several states have already passed laws restricting smoking in public, while President Clinton is on the verge of accepting recommendations from the federal Food and Drug Administration to ban eigarette vending machines and further restrict advertising.

President Clinton enjoys the odd cigar, but smoking has been banned at the White House and he seems keen to make the habit a political

The industry has responded by pouring serious money into the Republican Party's coffers - BAT has donated \$250,000 to the campaign of Bob Dole, the Republican contender for the presidency — but the politicisation of the debate only increases the likelihood that when anti-smokers have the political advantage further restrictions will be imposed.

At the same time, the leaking of documents suggesting that the industry has lied for 30 years about its understanding of the addictive qualities of nicotine has made the tobacco companies appear hypocriti-cal and shabby. Just two years ago, senior executives in the industry testififed to Congress under oath that they did not

believe nicotine was addictive. The companies can still argue that the hammering their share prices have taken in New York and London is simply "sentiment". Serious financial damage has not yet been inflicted on the industry and, even if cases continue to go against it, the companies' ability to bear huge costs should not be underestimated.

But America will always remain fundamental to the tobacco companies, in spite of the promise of new markets. The US is the home of the industry and its history and marketing image is reliant on this link. If Marlboro Man becomes ostracised in his home market, how easy will it be to sell smoking as a "cool", Western pursuit to consumers in the developing world? Equally, will investors

want to continue pumping money into companies that have become the pariahs of the corporate world? For all its insistence that nothing has been lost yet, the tobacco industry may yet come to hate the name of Grady

BUSINESS LETTERS

The development of Heathrow's Terminal 5 and competitive needs

From Mr Gordon Glass Sir, Mrs Dunwoody's letter (Business Letters, August 20) in line with the Select Committee's report, demonstrates protectionism for both British Airways and UK aviation. Any development of public

services needs to be based instead on a close examination of the ethical public safety and environmental consequences: increasingly important matters seemingly often overlooked in the UK Unfortunately, the Select Committee's report lacked this examination of the ef-

fects on Heathrow, particularly regarding the need to increase slots and traffic in order to "offer effective competition", and pre-empted the more informed conclusions of the Terminal 5 inquiry in these matters. The committee has heard

evidence from BAA as to the significant environmental disadvantages" (ie unlikely implementation) of the measures upon which the committee relies for effective competition. I am sure British Airways

will be very happy. As the Select Committee implied in a previous report, a proper UK aviation policy and strategy is long overdue! Yours faithfully, **GORDON GLASS** (Director), 2020 Vision Ltd.

PO Box 1967, Bath. From the Chairman

Heathrow Association for the Control of Aircraft Noise Sir, It is disappointing that Gwyneth Dunwoody has swallowed the airlines' argument that improving compe-

requires an increase in slots at Heathrow to accommodate new services. She advocates consideration of the introduction of "mixed mode" at Heathrow to allow a further intensification of air traffic. This proposal (the abandonment of runway aiternation) would mean consigning hundreds of thousands of residents living around Heathrow to unend ing aircraft noise from 4am to midnight, day in day out. Even BAA opposes the introduction of mixed mode, since it knows the airport has to continue living with its

neighbours.

tition in the aviation market

In fact, as we showed in our evidence to the Trans-port Select Committee, the best way to ensure competition at Heathrow is to introduce an auction for the slots which are currently available. Immensely valuable Heathrow slots are given away for nothing, which explains the presure from airlines to increase their number. Airlines would willingly pay substantial sums for the right to land at Heathrow. Slot auctions would provide a source of additional public revenue, which we estimate at between £250 million and £500 million a year. This would not be a windfall tax, since airlines would simply be paying what they willingly offered while mindful of their need to operate profitably. Perhaps Mrs Dun-woody should have a talk

with Gordon Brown? DERMOT COX. Chairman, HACAN, PO Box 339, Richmond,

Lower paid are real losers from tobacco tax

From Dr B S Smith Sir, Graham Searjeant (August 12) comes close to accepting that the tobacco industry will ultimately expire. In the meantime he is prepared to act as an apologist.

He refers to the dependence of Governments upon tobacco as a source of revenue — to treat victims of tobacco-related diseases. Unfortunately, at least in developed countries, the main users of tobacco are the lowest income, least well educated members of society. In Britain, smoking families in the lowest 10 per cent of income lost 27 per cent of their income in tobacco tax (The Times, July 21 1995). Proper nutrition, heating and recreation suffer. There are fairer wavs of raising tax, with the burden borne equitably by all income groups. Moreover, any country which is a net importer of tobacco leaf or finished products experi-ences a negative effect on the balance of payments — but still has to pay for avoidable

ill-health. Suppression of tobacco usage should not be compared with American 1920's prohibition. Alcohol is used sensibly by the majority of the population. Used in this way

it has life-enhancing qualities, both social and medical (The Times, August 14). Whilst the argument for alcohol prohibition is not sustainable, tobacco has overwhelmingly negative attributes. Tobacco can fairly be compared with illicit, addictive drugs, where severe restriction or prohibi-

tion is acceptable. There is good evidence to suggest that young people denied tobacco will turn to other dangerous drugs. Teenage smoking is increasing. There is no reciprocal reduction in drug abuse rather the reverse.

As to "road rage" prevention. Smokers have a higher rate of driving accidents. It may be simply that they are inherent risk-takers; however, some may experience difficulty in controlling their vehicle whilst simultaneously manipulating a cigarette relaxed dream-like state implied by a former television (Hamlet) cigar advertisements may be good for avoiding road rage but may be bad for concentra-

Yours faithfully DR BS SMITH. Consultant physician, Sandwell Healthcare. Lyndon, West Bromwich

Bleak prospects for gold down under

The lack of big new discovery

is troubling the

industry and

investors, says Rachel Bridge

Imost by definition gold miners are an optimistic bunch and indeed the entire gold mining industry is steeped in tales of fortunes made and lost on the turn of a shovel. Right now, however, the mood in the bars of Australia's outback mining towns is decidedly nervous. For after several years of

phenomenal growth, the lack of a spectacular new discovery has left Australia's gold industry wondering if the bubble could be about to

Growth has been rapid. Ten years ago the Australian gold sector was valued at A\$700 million (£350 million). Today, it is worth A\$18 billion and gold is the country's second largest export. Australia now ranks number three in the world production stakes behind South Africa and the US, with production next year expected to reach about 260 tonnes of pure gold. The growing fear among

investors, however, is that

that may be as good as it gets.

David Russell, mining ana-

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says: "Enormous sums of

exploration with very little to show for it." What's more, the discoveries that have been made have been mainly extensions to existing deposits. Another analyst admits: "There hasn't been an important discovery for the last 12 months and we really need something good to keep the momentum up and the excitement level high."

Compounding the industry's woes is the spectre of a surge in production costs

money are being spent on because of the cost - and time - of resolving native title land claims by Aboriginal groups. The Native Title Act 1992 put in place for the first time laws protecting the land rights of Aboriginals and gave local groups the right to negotiate with mining companies.

While a big step forward for relations with the Aboriginal community, the Act nevertheless will require a major adjustment by the mining industry over next few years in the way it operates. As Colin

Barnett, Western Australia's Resources Minister, points out: "Australia in the 1990s is coming to grips with native title and the needs of indigenous people that America and other countries came to terms with a hundred years ago. It is not going to go away."

It has inevitably cast a big cloud of uncertainty. Mr Russell says: "It is really starting to hurt the industry because the ability to translate exploration into production is now questionable. It is a real problem and it is very difficult to dismiss. It is reducing mining interest in areas where a company knows it will be subjected to native title claims."

Industry players point with a shudder to the experience of RTZ's Century Zinc mine. The group was forced to put the development on hold after having spent A\$200 million

because of a row over title. One bright spot for the industry is that the Government did not go ahead with its

plan to scrap the diesel fuel rebate, which was introduced as compensation for excise duty imposed to pay for public roads that the mining industry did not use.

Companies had feared that scrapping the rebate would increase costs by A\$40 an ounce on the current A\$490 an

The prospect of escalating production costs at home has prompted a growing exodus of Australian gold companies seeking alternative explora-

growing number of junior exploration companies are joining them too. Over the past few months, for example, Resolute Samantha has begun two

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that are looking offshore - a

exploration projects in Africa, Golden Shamrock Mines has started exploring in Ghana, Meekatharra Minerals in Indonesia and Nuigini Mining One analyst says: "In previous years at the gold conference in Kalgoorlie it was

considered very bad form to discuss offshore projects — it was seen as a sign of bad faith. But this year it was noticeable that they were being openly discussed." Once overseas, companies are finding that they can get

bigger chunks of land at a cheaper price than they can at home, while for the junior companies Canada and North America are proving a great source of investment funds. None of which has left the

outlook for the Australian industry looking especially self-confident.

As one analyst explains: "Everything has slowed down in Australia. You can't explore as quickly or as efficiently as you could and the ground is fairly well tied up. The reality is, while it is still growing, it is

becoming a mature industry. Others, however, argue that the next spectacular gold disbring everyone racing home to

Sussex, where inmates include John Bartlett, a former racing driver. Bartlett. 40, claimed on his insurance after a riding acci-dent ruined his career, but the affair turned nasty. and he was jailed for six years for defrauding insurers. Friends and family have launched a campaign, protesting his innocence. Bumper stickers have begun circulating. and The Book Guild is



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Students at Liverpool's Institute for the Performing Arts, which opened last January with a fanfare and the high-profile support of Paul McCartney and other music luminaries

All you need is more money Paul McCartney's Liverpool Institute for the Performing Arts is

ast your mind back to January, when the winter gloom was brightened by the inauguration of a glamorous new arts initiative. The Liverpool Institute for the Performing Arts (LIPA) opened its doors to its first intake of students with a blaze of publicity and much blowing of trumpets. With the high-profile support of Paul McCartney and others in the music business, this was to be a flagship college for those aspiring to work in Britain's entertainment industries. They would emerge with a dancers, musicians, designers, producers or anything else within the gamut of contemporary arts. The project was regally endorsed when the Queen attended the official open-

ing ceremony in June.
What the luminaries and the students did not know was that Hill, Dickinson, Davis, Campbell, a firm of Merseyside solicitors, had been instructed by LIPA the previous December to investigate a huge overspend on the renovation of LIPA's new premises. They kept that quiet at the various ceremonies. LIPA inhabits a 200-year-old Georgian building, formerly a grammar school, on the edge of Toxieth. It recently announced that the cost of refurbishment, originally estimated at around £8.2 million, had turned out to be more than £12.5 million. So. utterly not the case at all". just two months after its official

opening, the LIPA enterprise is grappling with a £5 million deficit. It is all the more embarrassing given that the project was touted as a model of private and public sector cooperation. Around a third of the funding came from the Government by way of the Liverpool City Challenge Scheme, a third from the European Regional Development Fund and a third from private

sponsors and supporters. This seems a cautionary tale: bright-eyed arts enthusiasts, with pie-in-the-sky notions of a creative Utopia, come smack against harsh realities. But the people at LIPA are perhaps less naive than first appears. All aspects of the building work are apparently the responsibility of LIPA Holdings, a limited liability company separate from LIPA's educational operation. If disaster strikes LIPA Holdings, ownership of the building is said to revert to LIPA itself.

Institute's director of finance and resources, initial fears that the school might close are "absolutely and

already faced with a £5 million deficit. Andy Lavender reports

Nonetheless, these reassurances must be balanced by anxieties over the moneys yet to be found. The loudest noise at LIPA at the moment is not that of students composing their masterpieces in the Institute's recording suites or choreographing routines in its dance studios, but of a buck speedily being passed.

"if you look at my CV, and indeed the CVs of the senior people who work here, the renovation of Grade II Georgian listed buildings is not a feature," says Mark Featherstone-Witty, LIPA's chief executive. "Therefore you get a team of professional people in. You then have to wonder

just what's happened." Indeed. What happened was that the building contractors, Balfour Beatty, discovered - after work had begun - that the brickwork of the formerly derelict building was structurally unsound and needed a major overhaul. Another rise in the cost, according to Griffiths, was a result of

the extensive electrical work needed to support computer systems, recording facilities and a 500-seat theatre, not to mention a swipe-card security system and new phone lines. All told, more than 40 miles of cables were

Even so, one would imagine that such everyday considerations might have been anticipated. Does the buck stop, then, at the door of E.C. Harris, one of the country's top building consultancies, which was the project manager for the refurbishment?

"We have great sympathy with LIPA," says Alan Webster, a partner in the company. "Often in renovation work you find structural defects which you don't expect." But after dispensing his consolations, Webster points out that E.C. Harris simply managed the work of various contractors, that LIPA Holdings is technically responsible for any overspend and that, in any case, "the quantity surveyors were the people who prepared the initial estimates". So the spotlight turns on Walfords. the company concerned. Colin Thompson, a Liverpool-based part-

ner in the firm, had no comment to

However, Featherstone-Witty feels able to draw general conclusions from LIPA's experience for the benefit of other arts organisations that might be contemplating similar projects. "One very positive lesson is that they should have on their board an independent quantity surveyor. able to give advice on the basis of his

Messrs Hill, Dickinson et al have recruited an independent quantity surveyor whose preliminary report is already on Featherstone-Witty's table. "I don't think anybody wants legal action." he says. "I hope that the report we eventually provide will be substantial enough for us to reach agreements." Presumably the denizens of the building industry are also preparing their side of the story. Meanwhile LIPA is planning a

fund-raising operation. The begging bowl will be waved in front of its original supporters in private and public sectors. Paul McCartney is said to be "disappointed" by events. But any rescue operation must remain in limbo until the final report is aired in around a month's time. Whatever its outcome, it will put the razzmatazz optimism of LIPA's launch into a sombre perspective.

Plunder in the sunrise

CONCERTS: Schoenberg and

Haydn at the Usher Hall

other monumental centrepiece of the fiftieth Edin-burgh International Festival. together with the War Requiem performed in the same hall two days earlier, was Schoenberg's Gurrelieder - a youthful aspiration which, though formless and wickedly self-indulgent in comparison with Britten's mature masterpiece, is capable of arousing passions of operatic propor-

While conceding that Claudio Abbado, the Gustav Mahler Youth Orchestra, the Arnold Schoenberg Choir and the Edinburgh Festival Chorus demonstrated that Gurrelieder is more super-Wagner than sub-Wagner. I still confess myself baffled, Between the orchestral introduction, which is an inspired study in orchestral impressionism, and the final chorus, which must be the most dramatic sunrise in music, there is a prolonged and extraordinary mixture of impersonation and originality. Even in the third part - completed in 1911, ten years after the beginning of the work — there is so much Wagner that it was refreshing to hear Mahler being plundered instead once

Narrated with much relish tthough with poorly adjusted amplification) by the venerable Hans Hotter, the last section was most vividly and, in the end, shatteringly performed by the orchestra and the combined choruses. By this time, Thomas Moser could justifiably have been feeling very happy that in spite of all Maestro Abbado's



as Waldemar had not been more than momentarily submerged. If Jane Eaglen was worried that the lustre seemed to have deserted her sound as ... Tove she could still take pride: in the intensity of it, just as Marjana Lipovsek, a severely uncompassionate Wood Dove. could celebrate the sustained firmness of her line. In fact, there was no end of celebrations all round.

Returning to the Usher Hall in the cool of the late evening to the prospect of a platform only sparsely populated by the Hanover Band was no sort of anticlimax. In fact, it was a most welcome relief to hear two of Haydn's Paris symphonies - all six of which are to be presented before the end of the week - performed with such clarity and such intimacy under the direction of Sir Charles Mackerras. There: was satisfaction in the unaschestral movements as the variations in Symphony No 85 in B flat (La Reine) and the Adagio of No 87 in A. which seems even more beautifully scored when delivered so stylishly in period.

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According to lain Griffiths, the Nostalgia's not what it was

days. Over its dark. dirty windows is a large placard. Another great Fir-kin acquisition by the Firkin bibendum", suggesting that it eventually expects a clientele beer-swilling yobs with Classics degrees.

But while the place is being

expensively prepared for this invasion, the Bush Theatre is moving from the tiny, shabby attic above the pub's antique lavatories to posher, ampler premises next door. The Shepherd's Bush Empire has been a music-hall and a BBC theatre and plenty of other things; but its latest incarna tion, as a rock venue, makes it a natural home for Jim Cartwright's Kiss the Sky.

another compendium show.
Sixties number follows Sixties
number: Jefferson Airplane,
Jimi Hendrix. Pink Floyd,
Janis Joplin and, of course.
Lennon and McCartney, all put over with terrific verve by Mike Bradwell's cast. My colleague from The Daily Telegraph, a rock buff, was wearing a yellow sweater emblazoned with the word "Peace". A glamorous-looking granny sitting near me ener-getically tapped her foot to the rhythms. Cartwright has provided nostalgia. all right but has he come up with

anything more? Not a lot. The programme warns that the show "features loud music and scenes of physical and narcotic abandon". Well, the cast's electric guitars certainly keep the rafters and the eardrums quaking. But other forms of abandon are not so obviously in evidence. Nor has Cartwright fully achieved what appears to be his overall aim. which is to create a sort of

celebratory satire, or satirio



Alan Williams as The Traveller, telling us what it was like to take drugs in Amsterdam

celebration, that brings the Beatles era back to life for a more cynical, pessimistic

There is plenty of verbal

string between the songs. An average-seeming bloke tires of conventional Lancashire and goes on the Sixties version of the Grand Tour. Up go the lights on Geoff Ruse's jungle-jim set, and there is Alan Williams's Traveller. telling us in his plonking way what it was like to stroll up the King's Road to a squat. or take drugs in Amsterdam, or visit a free-love commune in India, or join the great circle of hippies trying to make the Pentagon disappear. But his is not a very interesting travelogue, and it is a relief when he returns home in time to catch what someone describes as the greatest rock festival in the entire history of Greater

THEATRE

Kiss the Sky Shepherd's Bush Empire

The not-too-convincing pretence is that this festival is where the era's celehs are singing the songs we are hearing Two beautiful people garlanded Indian-style ask us to shut our eyes and transmit love and enlightenment to the universe beyond. Even the Living Theatre puts in an appearance, roaming the audience with trademark howls of "I must abide by laws I was not allowed to formulate". But mostly it is the Lancashire lads and lasses who do the speaking.

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("Let us join together as part of the universe") and a long harangue from a young woman who claims that the Establishment and its lackeys are running scared of the

Te also hear much 100 much from Rob Jarvis as the Lennon lookalike who acts as MC. He passes on info about the lavatory facilities, mixes rapturous emotional appeals ("let's hear it for the Big Freak in the sky") with warnings about the fuzz, and ends by declaring that Lancashire's Woodstock is a preview of the paradise that will sweep the world by 1987 or 1997. Fortunately, that wasn't true. Sadly, Cartwright's show doesn't leave you caring very much.

BENEDICT NIGHTINGALE BBC PROMS: Mutter and Masur

Not quite the American dream

THE COMBINATION of Anne-Sophie Mutter and the York Philharmonic under Kurt Masur, in the second of their Proms (Albert Hall), promised to be a dream ticket. If the promise was not quite lived up to, it was not the fault of either Mutter or Masur. The former turned in one of her mesmerisingly concentrated performances in the Brahms Violin Concerto. From her opening cadenza-like flour-ishes she commanded attention. Absolute technical mastery and compelling musicianship combine in her to make one of the most remarkable executants today.

Masur supported her with an individual, intelligently conceived reading of the concerto. Phrasing was always thoughtful and the design of the spacious first movement was cogently plotted. Unfortunately, the Philharmonic failed to produce the playing of worldbeating quality we had come to hear. The strings tacked homogeneity, and blending hetween all departments was less than ideal. Ensemble was erratic and mis-hits were legion. The poorly balanced and insensitive playing that sahotaged Mutter's rapt line after the first-

movement cadenza is but one egregious example. Prokofiev's Romco and Juliet (given in a conflation of the composer's two suites) fared rather better. Here the Philharmonic's raw strings and uningratiating winds came into their own: the ed with a broad brush and the love-music was aptly redblooded. The Death of Tybalt was somewhat feeble, in spite of blowsy brass. though the final bars made a

bigger impact. It took the two final encores - there were three all told - to prove what these players are truly capable of. A Tchaikovsky waltz was given with an enchanting lilt, and a delicacy and unanimity of which the evening had previously been innocent. Then five of the brass players gathered to give a superb demonstration of rhythmic precision and subtly nuanced textures in azz idiom. It brought the nouse down and Prommers clamoured for more. But the message was contained in the number's ritle: That's A-plenty.

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Gerald Arpino has ensured the future of America's Joffrey Ballet, thanks to the rock star formerly known as Prince



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Mr America, Mr Dance



Gerald Arpino with members of the Joffrey company, whose Billboards. danced to music by Prince, opens at the Festival Hall next Wednesday

t an age when most Americans are likely to be contemplating the golden glow of plating the general plates", Florida's "sunset villages", choreographer Gerald Arpino is jetting round the globe with 40 dancers in tow.

His boisterous enthusiasm, to say nothing of an emphatic tan and jetblack hair, belie the fact that Arpino is fast approaching 70. Brimming with ebullient passion and commitment. his world is filled with fizz. "I have never become jaded. That's

been my saving grace," he insists. "I've always been happiest in the studio. And I won't even tell you what I was paid, because I was never concerned about that. I mean, just give me a croissant and a cup of coffee and 1 m a happy guy.

"Also, I've never been envious, I've always wanted the best for all my fellow artists. I'm about American dance. That's what, I think, confuses some people. I'm not about myself. I love dance and I love my country. The

Joffrey is my home." Arpino has earned the right to his platitudes. As the artistic director of the Joffrey Ballet of Chicago, he is now riding the crest of a success virtually unequalled in the annals of ballet.) Called Billboards, it is danced to songs by Prince, and has played non-stop to packed houses since it premiered in

Arriving at the Festival Hall next Wednesday. Billboards proved to be an eleventh-hour saviour for a company whose coffers were all but empty. in fact, many observers had already

begun to write the Joffrey's obituary. Founded in 1950 by the late Robert Joffrey, with Arpino as one of its leading dancers, the Joffrey Bailet grew into one of the most popular of all American troupes. In its heyday it was ranked beside the very best and fielded

Allen Robertson meets Gerald Arpino, the

man who saved the Joffrey Ballet from extinction, with a little help from Prince

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a repertoire so eclectic that some called it schizophrenic. On the one hand the Joffrey was America's "youth company", with ballets such as Twyla Tharp's Deuce Coupe, set to the California crooning of the Beach Boys. Arpino's own flower-power triumph, Trinity, and the first stabs at choreography from the young William For-sythe to songs by Dionne Warwick and Aretha Franklin. On the other hand,

the Joffrey performed more Frederick Ashton than any other company except the Royal Ballet itself. Toss in many of the most dazzling creations of the Diaghilev era, and it was clear that Joffrey and Arpino were attempting to foster the full spectrum of ballet across the 20th century.

Joffrey, who had first started dancing lessons as a child on doctors' advice to

combat his asthma, died of the disease in 1988. With him went something magical. It has taken years of struggle to get the company back on top, but Arpino never for a moment thought of tossing in the towel, not even when his board of directors almost succeeded in having him publicly executed.

"I just couldn't let it go," he says. "This is my family." More than a fair share of high drama has rumbled through the Joffrey's corridors of power. Machinations reached their height in 1990,

when Arpino discovered his board was

intending to turn him into the scape-

goat for \$1 million in unpaid employment taxes.

"I was ushered into the office and told that I was going to share this secret and that I was to tell no one because I was going to be the only other person who would know." That secret, he quickly realised, would make him culnable, and when the scandal was exposed, his board would be able to oust him in favour of a new director.

"They were setting me up, railroading me." Arpino insists, but I knew I was honourable and my innocence preserved me. Ever since Bob's death, my chairman had a vision of giving this company to his wife. He was dying and he thought that was the best

thing he could do. "They envisioned an executive committee controlling things and I would be relegated to some position - shining

shoes, I suppose. "One of the board members out on the coast [California] wanted me to fly out immediately. He said if I turned all my work over to the company he would, right then and there, write a cheque to cover it all.

"I refused, I went to that board meeting and suddenly found myself saying that I would not play my part in this ignominious act. Then I said: 'I will not be a part of this scene because it not only violates every belief that I have given my life to, it violates everything that every artist stands for.'

The whole table was waiting there like vultures, or some terrible gargoyles, to descend on me. But I stood up and declared my true self. What choice did I have?"

Arpino played his trump card. "I said: OK, the company is yours, but I'm going to take away all my works and all of Bob's works' — which he had left me in his will — I will take away everything that makes the Joffrey the

Joffrey and you can have the rest. "It all went to lawyers while I went into seclusion for a month. I withdrew all my works and the company had all these engagements which failed when they couldn't fulfil the contracts because they couldn't dance any of the

he ensuing scandal made the front pages. "The chairman resigned. They all resigned. Then the company voted and I was reinstated as the artistic director of the Joffrey Ballet."

But would the Joffrey be here today if it were not for Billboards? I would say that Billboards was the

blood transfusion we needed. It came at the right moment - not only for the Joffrey, but for dance, for getting new audiences into the theatre. You see, I drew a circle with Prince's music. I said: I'm going to use this to encourage audiences who normally only go to rock concerts into the theatre. Let's get these young people in here.'

"Billboards grossed more than \$10 million in its first year alone. It was the right thing at the right moment. It made a statement for dance in America. and for American dance around the world. I think that makes it a milestone.

Billboards is at the Festival Hall. August 28-Sept 8, and then the Edinburgh Festival Theatre, Sept 25-Oct 5

WEEKEND CHOICE

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Made in Wales, broken in America

ater today Donna Lewis will discover if her sin-Agle I Love You Always Forever, currently No 2 in the American charts, has made its expected upward progress and topped the chart. Already. she has established herself as one of an increasingly rare breed: few British acts are able to crack the American market these days; even fewer of them are solo performers; fewer still are women.

But before we indulge in any vicarious enjoyment of her achievement, we should remember one thing: Lewis could not get a record deal in Britain, and had to go to New York to get signed.

Speaking from her tempo-rary home in Woodstock, New York, the Cardiff-born singersongwriter admits that even she is stunned by the sudden success of a track that is now four years old, with a lyric inspired by the H.E. Bates novel Love For Lydia. "I always believed it was a great little pop song, but I never realised it could take off so fast once it was finally released," she says. "I have to say that I'm completely overwhelmed." And take off it has done. It entered the Top 100 in June. and since then has leapt consistently up a chart whose sales-plus-airplay system of computation makes it notoriously slow-moving - a rise of two or three places per week is considered good going.

Naturally, once the momentum was established, all the top-rated, primetime TV hosts - David Letterman, Jay Leno Foie gras there, dogmeat here:

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have her perform the song on their shows, so further boosting its sales. "It's really hectic. and sometimes I feel like flinging the phone out of the window." Lewis says. "But it's so tough breaking through as a singer-songwriter, and who knows what will happen with the next single and the one

pop no longer travels as well as it once did. "It just doesn't after that? I've been very have the same international lucky." appeal," he says. "For exam-ple, the Americans find most Pragmatic and hard-working, too. Lewis, who will be no more precise about her age of our current guitar bands a than to say she is "thirtysomething", studied flute and piano at college, took little twee. It's no coincidence that the two they most like are Oasis and Elastica, who are among the more derivative a teacher training course for safety's sake, then gave music and who fit in with their lessons to support her early preference for grander gesattempts at songwriting. Lattures and a more sweeping sound." Beyond that, he hints. er, she discovered that the Scandinavian piano-bar cir-cuit could be a useful source of a protectionist instinct may now be at work, inspired by three decades of British musiincome. "I d go out there for a couple of months at a time, play five hours a night, six nights a week, then come back and buy another piece of gear," she says. "Over time, it helped me to build up my own studio. And it also helped me

cal invasions. "Of all overseas territories, America is now the most resistant to us," he continues. "It used to be that, if you got into the Top 40 here, America paid attention and you had a to mature as a singer - 1 good chance of having a hit developed a more individual there too. Now you have to go style along the way." Top Ten before your song will even be listened to or your video watched. Even then, there are no guarantees." the world market

increases, so the financial stakes get higher. "American labels know that if Mariah Carey or a Celine Dion breaks everywhere, the returns will be phenomenal." Grenfeli says. No wonder, then, that they should prefer the profits to come to them, not to some English company.

And, he says, it will work in Lewis's favour that she was signed in America and has broken there first, "Australia and the Far East feed off America nowadays, not the UK. Had she cracked Britain, but failed to make it across the Atlantic, parts of the rest of the world might have been cut off to her as a result."

Meanwhile, as Lewis waits for the call that will tell her the fate of I Love You... on her adoptive country's latest chart, she can draw additional confidence from Grenfell's final comment, "Of course, some sineles are iust unstoppable -and Donna's is one of them. It's one of those rare songs that will be a hit everywhere."

ALAN JACKSON ● I Love You Always Forever is released on Monday by East-West. The album Now in A Minute will

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PEARL JAM No Code

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WITH grunge a much devalued com-modity and a birth certificate stamped "Seattle" no longer accepted as instant proof of musical cool, the rug has rather been pulled from under Eddie Vedder and Pearl Jam's feet, However much they might have hoped to be seen as individualists, owing allegiance to no cause dui ineir own, iney were from 1992's debut Ten onwards perceived widely as mere Nirvana wannabes and despite, or perhaps because of, multimillion sales, much derided as a consequence.

If ever the charge had any truth, it should have been finally disproved by the band's third album, Vitalogy (1994). At last, the pain and doubt in Vedder's ravaged voice and similarly troubled lyrics seemed entirely unselfconscious, and beyond any accu-

sation of Kurt Cobain parody. And in the time that has passed since its release (and as the PR material accompanying this fourth LP is at pains to point out), all five Pearl Jam members, plus longtime collaboratorco-producer Brendan O'Brien, have been involved in myriad other projects, ranging from film soundtrack work to parallel membership of, and recording with, other bands, is it because of boredom? Frustration? Fatigue at being so closely linked with a movement they never sought to join, and which has now been deemed unfash-

ionable? More likely, if one pours over the lyrics here, it is because Vedder has been struggling to find himself, or at least has been asking those age-old "What's it all about, Alfie?"-type questions. The result is an album that is NEW ALBUMS: Alan Jackson cheers

as Pearl Jam's Eddie Vedder finally

emerges from the shadow of Nirvana sometimes oddly beautiful (Around the

TOP TEN ALBUMS

Bend, Present Tense), often just plain odd (In My Tree) but, best of all, than Pearl Jam. That copyist's tag should be cut off here and now. Vedder is plainly his own man.

NEUROTIC OUTSIDERS

Neurotic Outsiders (Maverick/WEA 0630-15536-2) IF A supergroup is one whose line-up

boasts the best-known members of a range of other bands, then the Neurotic Outsiders come under starter's orders as merely super-ish. Steve Jones, John Taylor, Duff McKagan and Matt Sorum can claim respective membership of the Sex Pistols, Duran Duran and Guns N'Roses, but they would hardly be at the top of any autographhunter's list. "A shared love of loud, aggressive guitar music" drew them together, we're told; of cliched rock riffs

(What's the Story) Morning Glory?..

and behind-the-bike-sheds humour too, as is proved to some tedium across ll original tracks and a redundant cover of the Clash's Janie Jones.

They're probably a lot of fun to see live (they began collective life at a benefit gig held at Los Angeles's infamous Viper Room) and, indeed, hope to play here next month. But for lazy, self-referential humour and musical indulgence, recorded tracks such as Jerk and Union take some beating.

MIKE OLDFIELD

(WEA 0630-15896-2) THE NEWS that Oldfield has relocated recently to Ibiza, coupled with the fact that he has been name-checked as an influence by more than one of today's electro-dance bands, might lead you to expect Voyager to be some kind of soundtrack to life in the blissedout Balearies. In fact, it's all so

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unremittingly Celtic that you can imagine the Scottish and Irish tourist boards swooning with joy on hearing it. A few well-chosen shots of rugged landscapes and hey presto!, the instant TV advertisement.

In combining new and original material with his arrangements of traditional songs and airs (She Moves Through the Fair, Women of Ireland and so on). Oldfield reminds us again genre, replicating its tones and mood. Whether Voyager will perform as well as 1992's career-relaunching Tubular Bells II remains to be seen. A club remix or two may be in order.

LEVELLERS Best Live: Headlights, White Lines, Black Tar Rivers

(China CD WOLCD1047) SCORNED by both music critics and the style police, but huge with what their detractors usually term raggletaggle refuseniks (er. that's students and anyone else whose conscience is bigger than their clothes budget), the Brighton-based Levellers have proved T conclusively that unfashionable does not have to mean unsuccessful.

None of their four studio LPs has

ever quite achieved the same momenturn as their raucous, fiddle-driven stage shows however, making the band better than usual candidates for that potentially disastrous venture, a live album. The good news is that this no-nonsense. 14-track selection of hit singles and stage favourites - recorded on tour throughout Europe last year - makes a better-than-average fist of explaining why singer Mark Chadwick and colleagues retain so devoted a following: their heady self-belief is

captured perfectly.

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Kenickie bless the beats, the beasts and the children Laverne and shrilly

These are stars, "Other bands, they're not so clever. Instance: when they get a deal with a record company, they waste it all on instruments. This is foolish. There are lipsticks. There are many hair preparations. There are handbags in various colours of the world. Life needs investment."

These are stars. It seems like they just woke up one day and decided to be starlike, dress like stars, talk like stars, hang out all the places stars do. "We've always been - unusual." Lauren Laverne says cheerfully. "We've always embraced peculiar lifestyles and manners — we've been spies, serial killers. We've kept things varied. But it seemed that pop music needed us, and so we regretfully let the lease expire on the beach house. dirtied ourselves up, affected the disguise of 17-year-old girls from Sunderland and here we are, to make your lives strange."

Laverne - "My name is from the French 'la', meaning the - is Kenickie's lead singer. She has the marvellous habit of stroking each of her fingers in turn across her cheek while raising an eyebrow. Cruella De Vil-style. The band itself is the snarledtoothed brainchild of Laverne and her best friend since the age of seven, the effervescent Marie Du Santiago. On the day Kenickie signed their record deal, they celebrated by hiring an open-top bus and driving around London. Du



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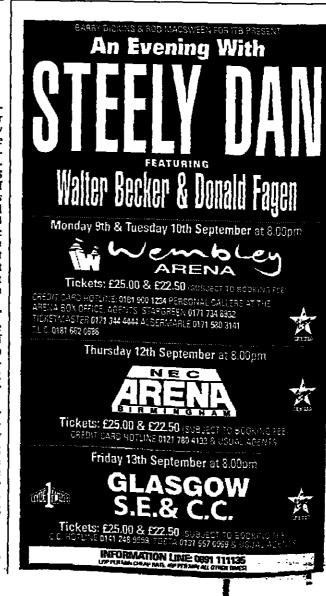
The band is completed by Laverne's brother Pete, who drums and prefers to be called X: and Emmy-Kate Montrose. who was in Byker Grove -"the North East's answer to Grange Hill", Together, these four quarter parts of Kenickie make two-minute singles that start in top gear and then change up. horse-sized adren-alin pills with titles like Catsuit City and Come Out

Lauren's lyrics are every-thing lyrics should be; her appraisal of falling off her new skateboard goes: "I hate skateboarding/l hate every-thing, it's so seed And unfortunately, I've just wasted, like, 95 feeters quid." The focus of hatred in Come Out 2Nite is dismissed with "She drank all that we had/She threw up and I was glad. It's the Corybantic kick of punk-pop, but with a sense of space and melody that promises a debut album to get very excited about although it only exists, as yet, in Kenickie's fizzing heads.

"We intend to progress." Lauren says. "We will have many phases. A phase of jumping from tall places on to small things, a phase of drinking, but backwards so that vodka will shoot through our eyes like a laser-gun."

A phase of animal substitution," Du Santiago says gleefully. "We will mark our every TV appearance by substituting one member of the band with an animal. When Kenickie becomes four parts animal, we will begin to reintroduce human life. It will be interesting to see how beasts have shaped

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TODAY'S listing of degree vacancies in engineering and technology shows that there are still plenty of openings for students in clearing. More courses are available than when the subjects were last listed, and many will remain open until the start of term.

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The Times service is the only national newspaper listing of degree vacancies updated and published daily. It runs on a three-day cycle until September 13, with engineering and technology courses appearing on Tuesdays and VFridays, science subjects on Wednesdays and Saturdays, and arts and social science subjects on Mondays and Thursdays.

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ing the independent schools as never before. The top state school, King Edward VI Grammar School for Boys in Chelmsford, Essex, has an A-level points score of 27.3 — higher than any state school has achieved in the past and better than all but the most elite academic independent schools.

When the top three state schools do better than Manchester Grammar School, it is time to take notice. Overall, the state schools have recorded their best year since league tables began - both in the average points scored and in the number who have qualified for The Times league table. The state schools' success

will not worry the really big hitters in the independent sector, of which there are perhaps eight or ten that can be relied upon to score above 27 points each year. But for the great majority of independent schools, the rise of the acaschool is a cause for concern. even for alarm. Why pay fees when you can get a better academic education free?

Fortunately for the independent sector, the advance of the good state schools has not been broadly based. The most five-year period, such as the Royal Grammar School at High Wycombe, Buckinghamshire, the grant-maintained schools for boys and for girls in both Chelmsford and Colchester, Tonbridge's Judd School and north London's Henrietta Barnett, are all in the South East.

Even more significantly, half of the top 100 state schools are grant-maintained schools, and their future under a Labour government would be uncertain. Not for the first time, the heads of weaker independent schools may be praying for a Labour victory.

The challenge from the state schools will not be dismissed that easily. There is a concen-Essex, Buckinghamshire and Kent, but each year the league tables show that the challenge is broadening its base. Even more disturbing for the independent schools is that the challenge is coming not only

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John Rae on how some state schools are challenging the independent sector in the exam results league



A-level results look good for Daisy Haggard, left, and Tilly Sveaas of Dulwich College

from selective grant-maintained schools but from local education authority comprehensives whose A-level results put some well known independent schools to shame. How does a comprehensive school such as Malbank School in Cheshire, for example, so easily beat Haileybury and Stowe?

It is, of course, important not to be too carried away by one year's results. A one-point change in a school's A-level score can make a difference up or down of 40 places. But the trend is clear. The state schools are mounting an increasingly effective challenge to one of the central arguments for paving fees -

that it guarantees better academic results. Every survey of parents' reasons for choosing private education puts "better academic results" at the top. Undermine that and, in some parents' minds, you undermine the raison d'être for

Yet independent schools are nothing if not resilient and good at adapting to changing circumstances. The elite independent schools are testimony to this. If you looked at the Alevel results for the early 1970s of some of the schools at the top of today's table, you would be astonished to find how bad they then were. The schools concentrated on producing scholars at Oxford and Cam-

bridge because A levels became important and scholarships disappeared. The schools switched the emphasis as skilfully as a commercial company moving into a new

Other independent schools realise that they are never going to compete at A level with the best state schools and have adopted a different strategy for survival. In some areas, they have accepted that they will have to play second fiddle; they are the alternative that parents will consider only if their children fail to get into the local state school. Others have concentrated on providing a specialist service or excellence that is not available

sport, some independent schools can provide a calibre of teaching and quality of facilities that state schools

cannot match. The danger for some independent schools is that instead of developing a genuine spe-cialism they will attempt to bluff their way through the crisis with talk of character. discipline and unspecified social advantages. But there is little to choose between a good independent school and a good state school so far as

If anything, pupils at a good state school are more likely to be well behaved and well turned out and less likely to be

drugs.

Nor is it self-evident that a child is more likely to learn the right morals and manners in a gin-and-nag-belt boarding school than in the local com-The more the best state

schools challenge the independent schools the better it will be for pupils and their parents. Whether A levels are easier is a different debate. What is certain is that in state and independent schools pupils and their teachers are working much harder.

an the state schools go on improving? They may never overtake schools of the calibre of St Paul's and Westminster but they will continue to press hard on the heels of the rest of the independent schools. The only shadow over their success is uncertainty about the intentions of the Labour Party. Evidently, new Labour will take away two of the crucial factors - selection and grant-maintained status - that have made possible the state schools' challenge to the independent sector.

It is hard to believe that this is what Tony Blair really wants to do. And even old Labour might reflect that if it wants to "reduce and eliminate" the private schools, the best way to do that is to let the challenge go from strength to

 The author is former Head Master of Westminster School. His book Letters to Parents will be Universities are now offering courses that seem fun

Look for a degree with a difference

oceanography and marine biology her friends thought she was wasting her time. They did not know what they were missing.

Offbeat degrees give stu-

dents the opportunity to try courses they might not have dreamt of being able to do at university. While her friends were sleeping through lec-tures and doodling in seminars, Ms Baker was having the time of her life.

There were brilliant field trips in the first and second years but the highlight of the course was my third year." she says. "I went on a cruise in the Gulf of Mexico and was able to go down in a submersible to study the reproductive biology of new forms on the seabed. I loved it; I just loved it."

Southampton's oceanography degree is just one of the growing number of unusual and original options available to students starting university.

Heated competition between universities to attract students and the development of courses made up from modules across different academic departments are encouraging universities and students to construct more degrees from a cock-tail of subjects.

Mark White, registrar at the University of Teesside, advises students to be imaginative. "Many universities are developing innovative courses," he says. "In 12 months' time, there will be even more interdisciplinary courses and the demand for them is amazing. There are two types of

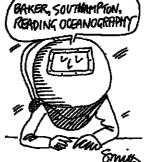
students: those who want to do a traditional type of honours degree - such as history or English - and thing that is creative and allows them to have fun and make their own choices when they graduate.'

Bournemouth University

now offers degrees in tour-ism and Middlesex University has a three or four-year degree in herbal medicine. with a degree in Chinese medicine starting next year.

So, unusual does not necessarily mean bizarre. Although degrees with titles like golf-course managemake newspaper headlines and attract derision from the more staid quarters of academia, the new breed of subjects is

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designed with employment

prospects in mind. That is not to say the subjects are purely vocational. Dr Kelvin Richards, undergraduate admissions tutor in the department of oceanography at the Univer-sity of Southampton, says his subject doubles as an interesting interdisciplinary science degree and is not just for an aspiring Jacques

"We tend to attract people who have an interest in the ocean but also people who want to do something a little bit different from a straight science degree. Somebody who has done maths and physics at A level, but cannot stand the idea of another three years of maths, might want to try something new."

"University is an important time for thinking about

and to take the opportunity to do something rather different from a mainstream science subject."

Like oceanography, many courses are at the forefront of new technologies. The University of Teesside has developed a number of new degrees recently but its BSc (Hons) in Information Technology is the most revolu-

Though its title does not make it sound uncommon, the course content is very different from everyday IT courses. Students spend four years studying the sociology of cyberspace and edutainment" - a combination of computer games and educational software.

Sounds complicated? Unorthodox degrees are not an easy option and students need to be dedicated. Ms Baker says: "For a degree like oceanography you've got to be really into it. It was very intense and a lot of people were amazed at the workload involved. But if it's what you really want then it's wonderful.

Parents push their kids into sensible subjects that lead to sensible jobs but it's more important that you enjoy what you're doing.

Don't be put off. When I was younger, people said that it was ridiculous to do oceanography and marine biology because I would never get a job in it."

Despite the warnings from friends and family Ms Baker has graduated with a first-class degree and has landed a research job looking at new species that develop around underwater volcanoes.

The message is clear. Somewhere out there is a degree for almost everyone and if you have not looked beyond single honours in history or mathematics then think again.

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On leave with the Sally Army

or many decades, officers of the Salvation Army and their assistants have been quietly gathering up needy inner-city children and taking them away on holiday.

Captain Anthony Cotterell, Salvation Army youth officer for the West Midlands "division" — the approximate equivalent of an Anglican or Roman Catholic diocese - told me the sad tale of a little girl I will call Catherine. This year she attended a Salvation Army Easter camp: local officers, doing the extraordinarily compassionate social work for which the Army is famous, had, for some time, been doing what they could to help Catherine's troubled family.

A week after the Easter camp, Catherine and her elder brother were taken by their - normally absentee - father to a seaside town, well away from their urban West Midlands home. On the way back the father attempted to strangle both his children, botched it and abundoned them in a remote and hilly place. Both children needed hospital treatment and were, of course, desperately traumatised by what had happened. The police dealt with the father. It was the Salvation Army who tried to pick up some of the other pieces by arranging for Catherine and her brother to go away for a week's holiday with their mother in an attempt to help them to recover from their experience. Captain Cotterell says: "Of course,

we're just touching the tip of the iceberg of miseries caused by the breakdown in society. But we do everything we can with the resources we have."

There is enormous educational value in a holiday - from getting off your own "patch", seeing and doing new things and earning about living for a few days with other people who are not members of your family. As the Salvation Army

For many city children, summer holidays are a dream. Susan Elkin talks to the people who

make them possible

pointed out in a recent mailshot appeal. many of us take going away each summer for granted; at the beginning of the autumn term many teachers still set that time-honoured essay title "What I did on my holidays". Most of the children with whom the Salvation Army works would not usually go away. Many have never been away before and some have never seen fields or farm animals or experienced any kind of "outdoor education".

Usually the holidays are organised by local Salvation Army groups in their corps. or individual "churches". for children they know through working with the underprivileged in their immediate vicinity. It's happening all over Britain and hundreds of children benefit, Walsall and Darlaston corps, for instance, worked together last year to take about 45 children aged from eight to 14 to a Christian holiday camp in Leicestershire. For the eighth year in a row, the Sneinton House Goodwill Centre in Nottingham is taking a group away this summer. In Glasgow, Major Darryl Thomas is planning a summer camp at Pitlochry, where about 70 hoys and girls will get the chance to try archery, canoeing and abseiling. Captain Cotterell is taking 30 young-

sters aged from eight to 13 from the Nechells area of Birmingham away for a long weekend at Dorney, near Windsor in Berkshire, in September. They will sleep in dormitories containing six beds. Excursions are planned to Windsor Castle and the local leisure centre for swimming and there will be plenty of outdoor games in the park and so on. They may fit in a trip

to nearby Legoland as well. "Most of the children we take away are already known to us through our ongoing community-care work. of which the holi-days are just a part, although we do get an occasional referral from social services," says Captain Cotterell, who has overall responsibility for the youth work in the 70 or so Salvation Army corps which make up the West Midlands division.

ow do they reconcile their own driving Christian motivation with the possible religious antip athy they must sometimes encounter in those they are trying to help? "We're an unashamedly Christian organisation. We do this work because we believe that God loves children and is using our hands. ears and eyes as a way of helping them. That's our backdrop." Captain Cotterell says. "But we don't ram it down anyone's throat. Nonetheless, at our holiday cen-tres and camps we do have services. The children do Bible quizzes and so on. We lead them through Scripture Union project work, too. If you present religion in the right way, it works. The children generally enjoy, and feel comfortable with the activities."

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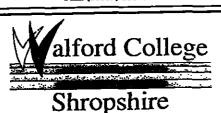
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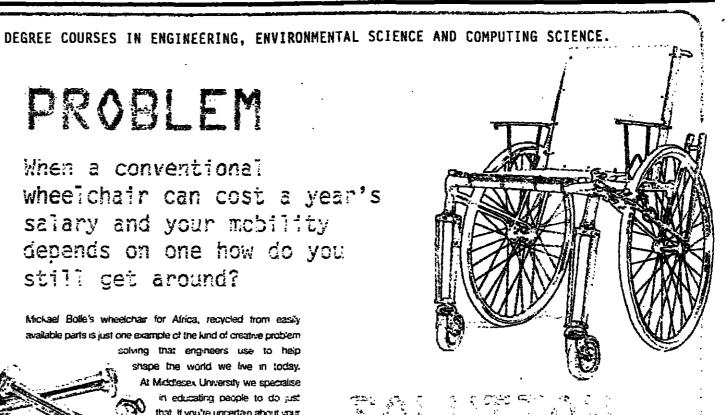
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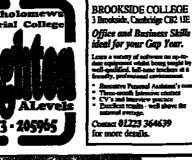
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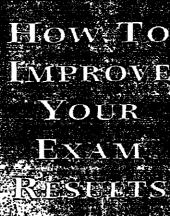
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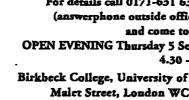
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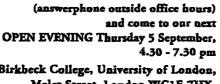
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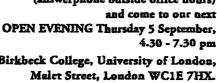
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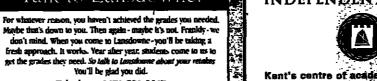
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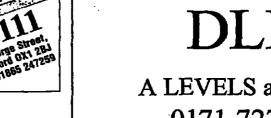
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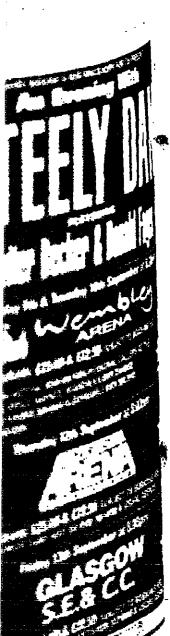
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Help at hand to improve Hill starts

FROM OLIVER HOLT IN SPA-FRANCORCHAMPS

THE longest circuit on the Formula One calendar plunges down through the Ardennes Forest here. rounds countless sweeping curves and negotiates a glorious variety of challenging corners. Damon Hill. though, arrived yesterday with just one 200-metre stretch of track on his mind. When the lights go out to signal the rush from the start to the st corner in the Belgian Grand Prix on Sunday, he wants to be wide awake.

Poor starts have cost Hill valuable places in the last three races and allowed Jacques Villeneuve. his Williams-Renault team-mate. to sneak back into contention for the drivers' world championship. Hill's technique of getting off the grid, therefore, has been subjected to intense scrutiny since his last hiccup in Hungary a formight ago.

Suddenly, he has found himself being quizzed about the minutiae of the relative merits of using a handheld clutch, as used by Villeneuve, as opposed to the more traditional one that he prefers. To confuse matters, he introduced a variant to the system during a test in Barcelona last week, experimenting with a push-button handbrake while he brought the clutch to biting point with his feet as usual.

Reports from Spain said he had experienced difficulties with this method, too, apparently stalling twice. Eddie Irvine who, like Villeneuve, uses the hand-held clutch system, simply said yesterday that the foot-operated alternative was

Patrick Head, the Williams technical director, said: "If you can imagine having a hand clutch and two pedals, you have the possibility of putting your right foot on the throttle and the left hard on the brake, while simultaneously letting the clutch out until you feel the car straining against the brakes as the clutch bites and then taking your foot off the brake when the lights go

The problem for Damon is that he has got three pedals and only two feet and, if he's got one foot on the accelerator and one loot on the clutch, he hasn't got one for the brake. Although we can provide him with an electronic handbrake, the problem is that you don't have so much feel. You can't feel through the brake pedal when the car is beginning to creep as the clutch

the existing situation. Damon has to keep one foot on the accelerator and one on the clutch. He's off the brake pedal, he's got nothing stopping the car moving so he can't come back and find the bite point on the clutch. So when the lights change, he's got to take his foot back on the clutch and find just the right point at which it is gripping to produce drive, but not get so much grip at low speed that it bogs the engine down. He has got to find that point, whereas Jacques is already there.

On three of the four occasions this season that Hill has fluffed the start, it has cost him the race, fuelling the theory first aired by Michael Schumacher that Hill struggles when he is not frontrunning. Hill disproved that a fortnight ago in Hungary when he fought his way up from fourth to finish second, tronically, a poor start here would not be nearly as harmful as at the Hungaroring because there are far more opportunities to overtake. Hill, though, who has a 17-point lead over Villeneuve with four races to go, is convinced that the problem is solved anyway.

"I found out a few things in Barcelona that could be very useful so I am more confident about getting the car off the line," he said. "If I can do that quickly, I will be very difficult to beat in the race. All it was was adjusting my strategy on the use of the clutch.

"I did try the hand clutch at the start of the season, but I have certain reservations about doing it that way. I am certain I am doing the right thing by continuing to use the same method I always have. I have, after all, made more better starts than had starts this season."

Britten pursues title on wing and a prayer

Eve-Ann Prentice on

a British pilot hoping

to reach new heights

and become the world aerobatic champion

or a woman who sometimes has her head in the clouds, Diana Britten knows the importance of staying in control. As the British national aerobatic champion, she is competing for the world title in Oklahoma this week before delending her United Kingdom title in September.

Air displays, which draw the second-largest sporting crowds after football in this country, have been the focus of extra attention this summer after a series of light aircraft crashes at airshows and involving private pilots.
Britten, 50, said the toll of at least

13 accidents should bring a review of safety standards. As someone who has already seen the inside of an intensive care ward after a nearfatal car crash in the Sixties, she is trying to minimise the risk of her high-speed, high-skill pursuit of perfection in the skies.

It seems to me that some of these deaths could have been avoidable." she said. "We seriously need to look at what we are doing; whether it is abuse of the aircraft, manufacturing faults or abuse of the hody, we need to look at it." Britten is especially concerned about the effects of the gravitational forces that aerobatic pilots undergo during their

"People nowadays get their hands on some pretty hot machinery," she said, "and the effects of G [gravity] can be catastrophic. There needs to be a greater awareness of what we are dealing with." Britten's route to the British

championship and her shot at the world title was as topsy-turvy as her life of loops, inverted spins and flick rolls. She had had her first taste of aerobatics before she had completed her first solo flight. Her husband. John. enrolled for flying lessons and urged Britten to do the same. She had had a few hours of lessons in Britain in 1980, when she found herself near the Cannes aerobatic school. She still wonders if the school misunderstood her poor French and thought that she had had ten hours of aerobatic training instead of ten hours in



Although at that stage she was still unable to make a good landing, she learnt to put together a simple series of aerobatics and was smitten. After years of enjoying horse riding and, having had three daughters, including twins, Britten said she suddenly had a new goal to aim for - flying in the

world championships. Nowadays, she speaks fluent French - "I think in French when am doing aerobatics -- after becoming steeped in French aerobatic training methods, which she described as structured and carefully thought-out.

"When I go to a competition, I go to win, not to joke around and socialise," she said. The winning, though, is its own reward; there are no cash prizes and competing in aerobatic contests is expensive. "It costs me £150 an hour to fly my

plane and it often takes hours of flying across Europe even to reach the airfield where a competition is taking place."

When speaking about her aircraft - a customised, super-tuned Extra 260 - Britten's eyes burn with a Thatcherite zeal. This is state-of-the-art," she said, inviting me to sit in the cockpit of the single-seater. "The performance and the roll-rate may be there, but they are only as good as the pilot. You have to keep the energy going; it's all a matter of throttle management."

The harness Britten dons before performing her aerobatics is so tight that she can barely breathe. She has to fasten the control stick to her harness with a piece of elastic when starting up — because she has not "the same muscle mass as a man"—while both hands are

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engaged in controlling the throttle, fuel mixture and ignition. "Don't you want to stay in there longer?" she asked. "I always feel

very at home in it; it gives a fantastic, good feeling." Does she ever become frightened? "You have moments of apprehension, but it's not fear, it is crossing a mental bridge. Doing an outside loop or an inverted spin. there is this tremendous mental barrier to overcome.

"I sum up being frightened as not being control of a situation. I have been seriously frightened riding horses and I don't like being under water. I don't like putting my head under water."

She recounted how a villager had run breathlessly towards her as she walked around the singleengined aircraft that had just made a forced landing in a field.

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Britten gave a wry smile as she recalled landing in the field after her engine failed when she was performing "gentle" aerobatics in the skies over Surrey. "I am not a feminist or anything, but why do they have to assume the pilot is a

For someone who is not a feminist, there is a touch of ice when she talks about some of the men in the flying circuit. Of a former British aerobatic champion, she said: "He has never flown against me and, quite frankly, he would not be able to beat me." It is symptomatic of the combative nature of competitive aerobatics that the former champion recently

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Expensive dream waits another race for fulfilment

Racing — ask anyone connected with the sport — is in trouble; a surfeit of ordinary horses, too many meetings, too little prizemoney, heavy competition from the lottery and scratch cards to attract punters' largesse ... and, despite the odd richly-endowed race, the average racehorse owner recoups only £21 for each £100 spent on entering, training, transport-ing and those hidden extras like orthodontists, psychotherapists and worming that appear on his monthly bills.

There are moves to make it better, the way it is better in countries with a tote monopoly; millionaires based in the Caymans argue passionately that an economy in which a single-horse owner must win five races a year to break even will spell the end of the sport as we know it.

It is fair to state, and about time someone did, that no one is forced into racehorse ownership; moreover, many owners, while dreaming of winning the Derby or the National, consider the joy of involvement more important than the outside chance of fame and fortune.

Having spent 24 hours in close proximity to the proprietor of horse No 4 in the 3.45 τace at York yesterday (I spent the night in his bed), I am uniquely privileged to write

CLEMENT FREUD



On Friday

lipm Wednesday: The owner drove to an all-night newsagent, bought The Sporting Life and the Racing Post, the sport's national daily papers. Nobody had tipped his horse, though Gerald Delamere's York analysis opined: "This is her best handicap opportunity since she won at Epsom last June." The bookmakers' advertisements showed the filly at prices ranging from 20-1 to

Midnight: Owner telephoned an 0891 premier rate tipping service. The wise man from the East (actually Bury St Edmunds) said he was waiting for solid, important news; please ring back at 10.30 tomorrow. Premium-rate calls

the morning.
7am: He read The Times; The Times racing columnist mentioned ten of the runners. Not his filly. 8.30am: The horse's trainer

arrived for breakfast. They talked about the poor draw stall 19 of 19 - and had coffee, croissants, unsalted butter, blackcurrant jam. As there was no certainty that champagne would flow later in the afternoon, they drank a bottle

10.00am: East coast line Flying Scotsman from King's Cross. Two men on the train asked the owner whether his horse would win. The owner was chuffed. Passing Doncaster, the trainer's mobile phone buzzed. It was the travelling head lad. "The filly has not eaten her breakfast," he announced.

"Is that bad?" asked the owner. "It is not good," replied the

Outside York station, they took a bus to the racecourse and inspected the filly. She

looked well, though tense. Most of us would look tense after a night in a distant stable among people who flatten their vowels.

The owner and the trainer and a friend of the owner and his wife sat in the York sun and drank some more cham-



Richard Hughes unsaddles Clement Freud's Nagnagnag after finishing a creditable fifth at York yesterday

The owner's tipping service had given him Elnadim to win the 2.05. The owner looked up the horse in his racecard, found that its date of birth was April 24 and, as the owner was born on April 24, he trebled his intended bet. Elnadim started favourite and would have won but for three horses

who ran faster. At 3.30pm, the owner made for the parade ring. "It's the owner," murmured the crowd. He beamed.

The filly looked marvellous despite her missed breakfast. Her coat shone. He was very proud. And when the jockeys appeared, the owner had another moment of glory ap-proaching him, wearing his racing silks, and they talked of this and that: the poor draw, the horse's occasional reluctance to emerge from the stalls, her ability to quicken for

a couple of furlongs. He

wished the jockey luck. The

Woosnam fired by productivity bonus

Blessed are they who expect little for they shall not be disappointed. The horse finished fifth, beaten 25 lengths by rivals carrying less weight than did she.

The owner was delighted,

the trainer was delighted. The stable lass was delighted and, for the rest of the day, they concentrated on finding a suitable race in the calendar which she will surely win ... or did we say that last time? Fifth place paid £902. Enter-

ing the horse for the race cost £350: travel and overnight keep about the same; jockey's fee. Ell8.

Add three weeks' training, a visit to the vet, a farrier and a masseur and it was less than entirely profitable; but no one is counting. Owning a racehorse is about dreams and owning the horse that finishes fifth in a high-class handicap at one of the best meetings of the year provides a better class

N BN B **Ballesteros** fails to sway Faldo schedule

sponded to a demand from Severiano Ballesteros, the Europe Ryder Cup captain, that he should play less in the United States next year.

Ballesteros wants Faldo to return to the European circuit to earn sufficient points to win a place among the ten automatic qualifiers. However, Faldo said that he intends to continue playing on the US Tour. "I will not be rethinking my schedule for next year," he said.

Elite unit

Athletics: The British Athletic Federation is to set up an international unit aimed at producing success in the Olympic Games and leading championships. The federation's management board has asked Malcolm Arnold, its chief coach, to start work on the unit, embracing 200 leading athletes, "as a matter of urgency".

Britons excel

Golf: Alison Nicholas and Suzanne Strudwick, of Britain, were both one stroke off the pace after scoring 69 in the first round of the Trygg Hansa Open at Haninge, near Stockholm, yesterday. Lotta Neumann, of Sweden, and Kristel Mourgue d'Algue, of France, share the lead.

Takeover talks

Rugby league: Leeds yester-day confirmed takeover discussions with the Conrad leisure group, which failed in a recent bid to take control of Leeds United Football Club. After a poor season in the first Stones Super League, investment at Headingley would be

Lucky Henman

Tennis: Tim Henman, the British No l, advanced to the third round of the Du Maurier Open in Toronto when his opponent, Chris Woodruff, of the United States, withdrew with a leg strain.

Hosts' chances

Golf: The host club have two chances of representation in the final of the Burhill Family Foursomes today after quarter-final victories yesterday for Ann and Michael Croft, and Nigel and Sally Dolton.

jockey called him "Sir". GOLF: DANISH TOYMAKER LEADS WOMEN'S AMATEUR EVENT WHILE THE MEN PROFESSIONALS FIND A GERMAN COURSE CHILD'S PLAY

Kuld's lead restricted by lost ball at her final hole

IN THE second round of the British women's amateur strokeplay championship at Conwy yes-terday, Christina Kuld confirmed that the Danes have long since graduated from golf's equivalent of he kindergarten (Patricia Davies

Kuld, 22, who works in a factory that makes educational toys for tots, successive round of 71, four under par, to lead the qualifiers for the last 36 holes today by three strokes.

Kuld, who won the Danish strokeplay championship two weeks ago and is about to take up a university scholarship in Tulsa,

playing the last hole but ran up a double-bogey six after losing her ball off the tee.

Her nearest challengers, on 145, are the Curtis Cup pair of Elaine Ratcliffe and Janice Moodie, Kim Rostron, a Lancastrian who will be making her full England debut next month, and Pam Sowden, a 20-year for the lead with three holes to play but in a tricky breeze, accompanied by rain, dropped shots on all of

Karen Stupples, another Curtis Cup player, withdrew after injuring her back on the practice ground.

IN STUTTGART

THE BIRDIES cascaded onto scorecards, the eagles were almost commonplace and those who finished the day above par were distinctly thin on the ground. For most players, the enjoyment came from finding a course at their mercy in the first round of the Volvo German Open yesterday; Ian Woosnam, on the other hand, was thinking not only about golf, but also of money, lovely money. In common with six others,

Woosnam had a 64 at Nippenburg to finish the day two shots behind Paul Broadhurst, who produced a course-record 62, nine under par. It

Larry and he showed it as he talked expansively of his plans for the rest of the season. Already a three-time winner this year, he said he wanted two more victories before the season's end. "I want to win the Order of Merit," he said, "and I would like to start moving up the world

rankings again, too. Woosnam's mild chest-thumping sounded like the words of a proud man who had not enjoyed having to be selected for the last Ryder Cup team, and that only after José María Olázabal had pulled out injured. But then, as ever a martyr to his own honesty, he went further - and put the slightest of blooms on what unlikely to be able to do so until then had seemed the articula-

tion of a simple re-discovery of oncefamed competitive juices. He revealed that, at the turn of the

year, he negotiated a five-year contract with his sponsors that would result in bonuses based on performance, on winning the Order of Merit and achieving a better world ranking. "It is the best way to do it - if you play well, you deserve to be paid more, if you don't, you aren't paid as much." It is easy to understand his need for an incentive - he has, after all, won only £4.5 million in his European career, poor

If players cannot shoot low numbers at Nippenburg, they are highly anywhere. The course is playing

and the fairways and greens are soft and holding. Broadhurst predicted that it might yield a 59 before Sunday evening if conditions remain as they are.

Woosnam did not drop a shot until his penultimate hole, but even without that bogey would still have been put in the shade by Broadhurst, who had the lowest round of his professional career to lead Raymond Russell by a stroke The most outrageous of Broadhurst's nine birdies came at the 15th. his 6th, when he drove into a bunker and caught the lip as he escaped; unfazed by this brief surge of dreadfulness, he then pitched in from 70 yards.

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BOWLS WORTHING: Men's As-England championalips: Triples: Preliminary round: GPT Notingham (K B Monley) by Hereford (J Gladwri) 25-8, Hodham Elvaston (J D Smiles) bt Holwei, Lecastershire (A Marshal) CJ, Warstead Central (R Hudson) bt Trindon, Durham (C Jefferson) 25-13; Stony Stratford (M Vickers) bit Hull Road Park, York (F Maxwell) 17-15. First round: Camon Downs, Comwall (M Foster) bit Suttons, Reading (S Ford) 25-14; Roebuck, Stevenage (A Webb) bit Dunstable Town (S Mead) 21-20 Fours: Final: March Concer-valives (I. Miller) bit Certisle Courtfield (T Taylor) 20-18.

CRICKET

SECOND XI CHAMPIONSHIP (Inal day of three): Riddemninster: Womesterstere 364-9 dec (E. Wilson 91.) A Leatherade 50. R. Nowell 5-82) and 347-8 dec (Wilson 62. S. Patel 51 not out): Surrey 391 (J.) Ward 60. A. J. Tudor 134; R. J. Chapman 3-70. Leatherade 3-65) Match drawn Swarnedship 199 and 355-6 dec; (M. A. Waugh 72; M. A. Singh 74, G. Welch 71, A. Freet 53 not out): Glamorgan six and 203-5 (F. Gompertz 51). Glamorgan won by five workers from the sursers 225-6 dec; (M. J.) Lenham 151 not out, T. A. Radicrd 114, J. W. Hall 57 and 231-5 dec. (P. A. Radicrd 114, J. W. Hall 57 and 231-5 dec. (P. A. Radicrd 114, J. W. Hall 57 and 231-5 dec. (P. A. Radicrd 114, J. W. Hall 57 and 231-5 dec. (P. A. Radicrd 114, J. W. Hall 57 and 231-5 dec. (P. A. Radicrd 114, J. W. Hall 57 and 231-5 dec. (P. A. Radicrd 114, J. W. Hall 57 and 231-5 dec. (P. A. Radicrd 114, J. W. Hall 57 and 231-5 dec. (P. A. Radicrd 114, J. W. Hall 57 and 231-5 dec. (J. B. Thompson 15 no. N. R. Toylor 102. G. R. Cowdery 75) and 165-5 dec. (C. D. Walch 65). Durham 231 (J. Graham 89 and out, D. A. Benkuron 80. M. J. Robertson 69 not out. D. Benkuron 80. M. J. Robertson 69 not out. D. Benkuron 80. M. J. Robertson 69 not out. D. Benkuron 80, M. J. Robertson 69 not out. Durham won by four workets Ellend 7 violchiro 248 (C. A. Chapman 80, R. A. Kettleborough 65, K. P. Shecraz 4-34, J. M. M. Arens 4-60; and 316-4 dec. (A. McGarch 81, B. Parker 66 ont out. C. J. Schoffeld 65ho; Gloucostershen 322 R. J. Dawson 100. M. J. Cawdron 57, R. C. Walkerson 129, J. N. Barry 60, K. P. Dutch 51), and 220-6 dec. (A. J. Suaucs 85, M. A. Fetham 61, and 128-8 (R. J. Carliston 100, m. J. Cawdron 57, R. Schoffeld 65ho; Gloucostershen 325-6 dec. (T. A. Tweats 131, M. E. Castar 102 not out and 250-7 (T. Hauss 84, M. R. May 60, J. N. Bernschet 4-56). Match drawn Markon Butch drawn Markon Butch drawn Markon Butch drawn Markon 128-6 (R. Haushon 3-76). And 128-6 (R. J. Markon 128-6). G. A. Robots 6-10 (R. Bardon 127-6). G. G. Geltsme 6-10 (R. Bardon 6-10). G. G. G. G. G. G. G. G. G. G

STUTTGART: Volvo German Open: Leading first-round scores (GB and its unless stated) 62: P Broachurst 63: R Russell 64: D I Russell, M Campbell (N2), Woosnam, B Langer (Ger), R Ratifetty, M Lennor (Swe), W Riely (Nac), 65: E Dardy, P Nyman (Swe), R Claydon, M Roe, R Goosen (SA), C Suneson (So), 68: S Field, P Lewre, I Pyman, M Anglert (Swe), M Turnredit, C Ceveer (Fr), D Smyth, D Certer, L Westwood, G Chairmer, (Aus.), M Martin (Sp), T Bjorn (Den), F Rocs (Sp), D Cooper (CONWY): British women's aumsteur

Westwood, G. Chalmers (Aus.), M. Martin (Sp.), T. Bjørn (Den), F. Ricca (Sp.), D. Cooper CONWY: British women's amateur strokeplay chempionship Questiers; 142: C. Kud (Den) 71, 71 145: K. Rostron (Citheroe) 74, 71; E. Ratciffe (Sandway) 72, 73; J. Moode (Windylm) 70, 75, P. Sowden (MZ) 73, 72, 147: G. Colaviro (B; 71, 76, 148: A. Hakkaramon (Fn) 74, 74, 149: S. Gallagher (Trentham Park) 75, 74, M. Akaguren (Fn) 75, 74, 150: K. Juni (Don) 72, 78, 151: E. R. Power (Kilcamy) 76, 75, 152: Y. Taylor (Sandtord Springs) 79, 73, L. Moltal (Meet Nittado) 75, 77, M. McKay (Tumbory) 75, 77, L. Davis (Conwy) 76, 76, S. Cavaller (B) 75, 77, L. Davis (Conwy) 76, 76, S. Cavaller (B) 75, 77, L. Davis (Conwy) 76, 78, M. Monnet (Fn) 75, 77, M. McKay (Tumbory) 154: R. Racmuszon (Den) 80, 74, P. Martin (So) 79, 75, G. Sargas (B) 79, 75, R. Hudson (Meastlay) 75, 78, S. J. Hochely (Fnectower-Forty) 78, 76, 155: G. Nocca (Fn) 80, 74, 80; A. Rocca (String) 76, 78, J. Hochely (Fnectower-Forty) 78, 76, 155: G. Nocca (Fn) 80, 75, 80; H. Murnig (Ger) 74, 81 G. Scott (NJ) 80, 75, BURNHILL: Family Fourzonnes: Fourth Saya (fi) 72, 76, A Vincont (fi-) 75, 80, H Murno (Got 74, 81 G Scott (NZ) 80, 75 BURHILL: Family Foursomes: Fourth round: Mrs J Golson and M Dear (Pottors Bar and Burhil) b IX. Evans and Miss & Evans (Moor Park) 1 up. Mrs J Henderson and Sibest (Burhill) b IX. Evans and Miss & Hospital Mrs & Hoppital and Mrs J Jagger (Actividge) 2 and 1, Mrs A Croft and M Croft (Burhill bt J Brassington and Miss J Brassington (Worplesdon) 2 up: P Sherwood and Mrs S Tucker (Moor Park and Hankey Common) b I T Bernint and Mrs J Miss States (Moor Park and Hankey Common) b IT Bernint and Mrs S Tucker (Moor Park and Hankey Common) b I T Bernint and Mrs J Miss S Taleg and O Gadney (Royal Wimbledon) bit GM Gadney and A Gastray (Alderburgh and Royal Wimbledon) bit GM Gadney and Miss S Toole (Brockerthurd Mane) bit D Framo and Miss S Toole (Brockerthurd Mane) bit D Framo and Miss S Belloy and E Birky (Tandridge) 1981 hole, J Tiscombe and Miss C Bushell (Pilldown) bit Mrs P Logg and G Logg (Mid-Herss) 3 and 2 Fifth round Gelson and bit J Henderson and Best 4 and 3, Croft and Cootth Stownood and Tucker 2 and 1 1981, Dotton and Dotton bit Tearmbe and Bushell 4 and 3 WEST LINN, Oregon: Fred Moyer chall-

WEST LINN, Oregon: Frad Moyer chail-enge: Leading finel scores (Fearts of two US unless stated) 124; G Norman (Aust and B Faxon 125; M Caterweckin and B Moytar 126; T Lethran and L Janzen 128 M O'Mosta and J Cook, 129; T Watson and N Foddo (GB): B Herminger and F Zealler, 131; L Warkins and J Gallagher, S Eleng-ton and C Stadler.

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FISHING

Withy Pool produces record catch

By Brian Clarke

THE biggest coarse fish landed in Britain has been taken accidentally by an angler lowering his bait into the water to see how deep it was. The fish was a wels catfish weighing 61th. It was caught from Withy Pool. Bedfordshire, by Steve Renyard, of Southampton and is believed to be the same one landed and returned to the lake a year ago, soon after it revealed its presence by swirling at the surface and taking down a

Withy Pool is one of the relatively few waters in Britain that contain catfish. The species was originally introduced to Britain by the Duke of Bedford who, in 1880, put 70 or so small fish into two lakes at Woburn. Since then, the fish have spread to several other waters in the Home Counties and south Midlands. Today, the fish is something of a cult species. Some specimen hunters devote the greatest part of their fishing lives to it - in part because of the great sizes to which catfish grow, in part because of the fish's legendary strength. Renyard can testify to the

catfish's strength. Thirty minutes into the fight, his reel seized. For the last five minutes, he had to control the fish's runs by holding the line tight and walking hurriedly. Only one specimen bigger

than the Withy Pool catfish has been caught from fresh-water in Britain — the 64lb record salmon that Georgina Ballentine took from the Tay in 1922. Only one fish has ever equalled it - a 611b salmon, also caught by a woman, from the River Deveron in 1924. Speculation on how big catfish can grow in Britain has long been rife. It seems certain nothing approaching European records — fish of

around 10ft and weighing

over 400lh - will be found.

Going: good to firm

C110 DF C25 70 CSF £44.60
3.45 (77 202rd) 1, CDNCER UN (k Derley, 16-11: 2, North Song (L Detton, 11: 2, #4ard, 3, Moments of Fortune (W Ryan, 20-1), 4. Trogeron (S Sunders 8-1), 4.5 DRAN 11-2, #4ard, 5.6 Gold Spate, 11 Boaucharno Jazz, 12 Anford, Star Manager (6th), 16 Desort Green, Hi Nod, Now Century, 20 Muscharlot, Nagragnog (5th), 1-2 Church (S Manager), 15 Church (S Manager), 15 Church (S Manager), 16 Church (S Manager), 17 Church (S Manager), 18 In NR Coustona, 11, sh hd, 51, 41, 29 S Williams of Newmarker Toler (22 60, C4.20, £160, E700, £2.20, £160, E700, £2.40, £161, CHURCH (S Manager), 18 Inches (14, CHURCH (S Manager), 18 Inches (15, CHURCH (S Manager)), 18 Inches (15, CHURCH (S Manager)), 18 Inches (15, CHURCH (S Manager)), 18 Inches (16, CHURCH (S Manager)), 18

207-20 CSF- 2151 34 Tricact £1,510 13
4.45 (Im 3f 195yd) 1. EVA LUNA (Pat Eddey, 100-30) 2. Time Albowed IJ Red, 8-1): 1. Priolina IJ Fortuno, 14-11. ALSO RAN, 3-1 Iaw Annaba (501), 4 Balalaika, 8 Ninotofika, 9 Roppy Carow (6th) 10 Bathikio 1401), 14 Piko Creek, 100 Misc Haversham 10 Iam NR: Mourt Row Hd, 191, 31-1, 11, 31 H Cecil at Newmarkot, 100, £3 70, £1,90, £2 30, £2 80 DF £20 30 Timo, £224 80 CSF- £32 26
5.15 (6) 21 avan 1. RUZNAMA NV Carson, 4-

Jackpot: Not won (pool of \$79,070.85 carried forward to Newtowkel Indust Placepol: £221.60. Quadpol: £44.60

Going: good to imm - tim in back straight.
2.20 (6) 3yd) 11, LA Touch tab humann, 8.
1): 11, Merrie Lis Bow (Arnanda Sander, 11-1); 3, Rambold (6-1), Wardara 11-4 faw 10 ran ki, dd-ht C Dwyer (LA Touch), Pot Metholl (Merrie Le Bow), Toba, LA Touch 53,0, Merrie Le Bow), Toba, LA Touch 53,0, Merrie Le Bow 57 10, LA Touch 51,80, Merrie Le Bow 53 40, 52 90. DF 683 10 fron 287 60 CSF LA Touch Merrie Lis Bow 54 0 82, Merrie Le Bow LA Touch 243,32, Treast LA Touch, Merriy Le Bow, Hambold 2558 78, Merrie Le Bow, LA Touch, Rombold 2556 57 Wardara firm-hold fast but after a stewards' Inquiry was placed last.

3.25 (7) 3yd) 1, Quality (Emma O'Gorman, 7-1), 2, Nashaat (9-2 g-Lu/), 3, Samodom

YESTERDAY'S RACING RESULTS

2.05 (6) 1. INDISCREET (I. Detton, 4-1); 2, Swiss Law (K. Fallon, 16-1); 3, Wasp Ranger (T Clumn, 7-2), ALSO RAN 11-8 leversalim (4th), 9 Musakal (5th), 16 Double Eight, Milroy (6th), Our Way, 8 ran 3, nk, 3, 3, sh hd O Loder at Newmarket. Tote 23 90; 21 50, 21.70, 21 60. DF: 231 00. CSF 254 38,

CSF 554 38, 2.35 (6) 1, BIANCA NERA (K Darley, 6-1); 2, Arethuse (R Hughes, 16-1); 3, Seebe (M Hits, 11-4 Jay) ALSO RAN: 7-2 Curmine Late 14th, Moorahme Girl (5th), 11-2 Well Warned, 33 Daylight Dreams, Eye Shadow (6th), Halowing, 9 ren NR: Tumbleweed Pearl, NL, 51, 34, 1:21, 2/51 D Loder at Newmarket Tote CB 30: £1 80, £4 70, £1 30 DF £93 20 Trio £77 20 CSF 580 23

590.23
3.10 (5) 1, PTVOTAL (G Duffield, 100-30);
2. Eveningperiormance (C Rutier, 16-1); 3. Hever Golf Rose (J Woaver, 11-4) ALSO RAN 7-4 Law Mind Garnes (4th), 10 Struggier (6th), 20 Catch The Bues (5th), 10 Catch The Bues (5th), 20 Catch The Bues (5th), 10 Child Rose (5th), 20 Catch The Survey (5th), 20 Catch The S

CSF 2100 80 Tricast 21,679 07.

4.15 (Im 31 195yd) 1. CELESTIAL CHORR (O Poms, 14-1). 2. Sheer Danzig (P Robinson, 10-1); 3. General Maccarbur (T Ourn, 11-1); 4. Ducha (Pat Eddeny, 11-2 lav). ALSO RAN-9 Statio, 10 Ayurth. Dourn (Shi), 12 Skilengton, Throe Hills, 14 Akaflek, 16 Askem, At Liberty, Mattimen, Tessapo, 20 Lombarde, Ruck, 25 Floating Line, Lord Hardle Gibh. Ourngo, Villago, King, 33 Asalah, Kala Sumira, 22 ran 1-1, shind, M, 151, 151, 151 at 190 at 11-20, 23 10, 23 80, 22 10 DF 681, 20 Thereport 20 CSF 2151 34 Tricast 21-510 13 4,45 (Im, 31 195yd) 1. EVA LUNA (Pat

224 80. CS2- E32 26 5.16 (6f. 214ys) 1. RL/2NAMA (W Carson, 4-1). 2. All-Royel (W Ryan, 100-30 tov): 3. Parest Cat (K Faton, 11-2) ALSO RAN-9-2 Myssif (4th), Polar Prince (6th), 13-2 Bearston Abby, 7 Sergeyev (5th), 16 How Long, 8 ton 11, hd. 91, hk, 19, B Hits at Limbourn Tote 26 00 5 1:90, 51 90, 51 60 DF-C11 40 CSF £18 76

Yarmouth

Going: good to limn - from in back ulraight:

2.50 (6) 3)ct) 1. Wherir (R Halts, 6-4 Inv), 2. Sky Commander (7-2), 3. Rejoicing (2-1), 6 ran, 191, 2. H Thomson James Totic (2-1) \$1.40, \$1.60 OF \$1.00 CSF; \$27.11

(11-1) Always Grace 9-2 (t-lav. 9 ran shind, 94 W O'Gorman Tote: £8 40; £1,90, £2,50, £1,90, £5; £1,90, £5; £3,529 Tricast: £312,98. 4.00 (Im 3yd) 1, Sylvan Princess (Marin Dwysr, 4-1); 2, Spenish Siripper (20-1); 3, W Rough (11-2), Belleye First 3-1 tav. 11 ran. 2, 1%1 C. Allen. Fote: £3 70; £1.50. £11.00, £19.00 F £57.20 Tro: £38.90— part won (pool of £328.70 camed lorward to Newmarket 4.40 today). CSF: £76.12. 4.30 (1m 21 21yd) 1, Trick (0 Urbins, 4-1); 2, Poler Champ (4-1); 3, Ro. du Nord (33-1). Roysi Action 9-4 lav 8 ran. sh hd, 3L L Cuman. Tote 55 70; E1 70; E2 30, £6 60 DF: £16 70; CSF: £21.06.

DF 10 70, Corr 221.00.
5.00 Hm 31 (01)(0) 1, Ciliton Germe (P P Murphy, 16-1); 2, Soldier Meir (4-1); 3, Horeste (14-1) Oueen Boe 10-3 fev, 10 ran 7, 35: M Charmon Tote; 226.30; 53.40, 51.40, 54.80 DF 576.10 Tric 2273.50 — caret turns feccind (2738.61 ceres (15) respect for control (2738.61 ceres feet) our won (pool of £238 91 carried forward to Newmarket 4 40 today) CSF: 981 42. Thoast: £881 90. Placepot: £489.80. Quadpot: £96.00.

Wednesday's late details

Kempton Park Going good (good to firm in places)
5.30 (Im 2) 1, Halebid (C Webb, 5-1), 2, Absolvielystuming (16-1); 3, Laughing Buccaneer (20-1) Alistars Rockof 7-2 (sw 13 ron, NR: May King Moyhem, 191, 11 S Woods Tote 05 00, 12-30, 22-20, 23.00, 0F-23 50, 170 5170 30 CSF 574 11 Tricast 51,357,85 E1.357.85 Entrapreneur (J. Red., 1.2 tav); 2. Falsk (10-1), 3. Heart Of Armor (14-1), 15. ran 9, kl. M. Stoute, Total: (1.50; £1.50; £1.10, £1.50; £3.30 DF £4.60 Tro: £45.90, CSF-£3.31

E7-53 6.25 (fm 4f) 1, Welcome Parade (W Ryan, 7-2), 2, Haya Ya Kafash (10-1); 3, Leading Spart (11-4 bay) 9 ran, 14, 134 H Coci. Toto: 26 30, 21 60, 12 10, 21 20 DF -216,70 Trio, 235 70 CSF -233 18, Trocat, 297 60, 3 55 70 CSF -233 18, Trocat, 297 60, Tric. 235 70 CSF 233 18. Tricact 297 60.
6.55 (7) 1. Great Overtion (0 Urbans, 11-2);
2 Musecut Denoer (12-1); 3. Tuscery (9-1);
Sandatone 100-30 fav 7 ran 11; 51.
Cuman Tote: 0620; 2150; 2130; 07-24
7.25 65) 1. Hoh Plyer (M Fenton, 14-1); 2.
Test The Water (52-5 fav); 3. Champagne
Totact (25-1); 17 ran, Na., 194.
Test The Water (52-5 fav); 3. Champagne
Totact (25-1); 17 ran, Na., 194.
The 1980; 17 fav. Na., 194.
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Hereford Going: firm

Starg, 1877
5.40 (2m 31 110x0 holio) 1. Chima Mali (T J Murphy, 3-1) 2. Sippony Max (20-1), 3. Lord Tomanico (1/2 lav) 5 ton NRT: King of Eabyson 9. 10 K Balay, Tote C 350 E1 40, 22 80 DF (12/30 CSF (3/4/2), 5 ton (8/4/2), 5 ton (8 22 80 DF £12:30 CSF £34.22.
6.10 (2m 3i ch) 1. Maggots Green (R Johnson, 9-4), 2. Drumshick (7-4), 3. Manamour (6-4 lay), 3 am 51, 30. J. Bradley Tote £2:90. DF £1:90 CSF £5:59 6.40 (2m 2) hide) 1. Glengerif Geri (D Broguester, 4-6 lay), 2 Fou Chaep £20-11; 3. Storm Drum (7-1) 4 ren %, 141. M Ppn Tote £1:60 DF £8:60 CSF £8:99, 2.10 (2m 1) hide 1.5 Chamman £4[in (A P Toto £1 60 DF £8 60 CSF £8 99.

7.10 (2m if hdiel 1, Chancey Fella (A P McCoy 2-11 feet; 2, Galloping Garas (8-1); 3. Pac Foliv (10-1) 4 ran £8; 19: H Heynos Tate £2.20 DF £2.00 CSF £2.41

7.40 (3m if 110yd ch) 1, Cuchullatina Gold Ni Wallamson 5-4 lav); 2, Cardan (12-1); 3, Dufe Of Lamcacter £5: 1), 5 ran NP Spenish Blaze Det, 1'vir J White Toto, £1.90; £1.10, £3 10 DF £15: 60 CSF £14 78

8 10 (2m if £31); 1 Red Tet in Declaration 2. 8 10 (2m tf 3a) 1, Red Tel (D Badgediet, 2 1 fav) 2, Rem Spread (4.1); 3, Powerful Sprid (5-2) 14 rem (4.1, 2, M Piec, Tota, 54 30 C1 40, C2.20, E1 50, Tro: £13.20, DF, £4.20 CSF; £13.50 After a stawards' requiry, result stood Placepot: £72.30. Quadoot: £5.50.

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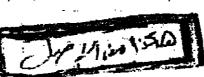
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Ballesteros fails to sway Fald schedule

Elite unit

RACING CORRESPONDENT AFTER waiting 25 years to

train a group one winner, five more minutes should be neither here nor there. But the time it took to determine the outcome of the photo-finish for the Nunthorpe Stakes, after Pivotal and Eveningperformance flashed past the post together at York yesterday. must have felt like a lifetime for Sir Mark Prescott.

"And here is the result of the photograph," the racecourse announcer eventually said, unwittingly piling on the agony as he paused a few seconds

RICHARD EVANS

Nap: FLYING LEGEND (4.10 Newmarket) Next best: Diminutive

(3.50 Sandown Park) The Times Private Handicapper (Ger-aid Hubbard) pripointed Concer Un (16-1) and Privotal (100-30) among his ratings at York yesterday

before giving the number of the winning horse. Sir Mark, head bowed low as if he dare not listen to the outcome, was finally put out of his misery.

First, number four, Pivotal. Perhaps, it was the shock; the knowledge that the long wait was over, but he showed no emotion as he patted the neck of Pivotal, and allowed the Polar Falcon colt to take his rightful place in the winner's enclosure.

Twenty five years and I have never been there so I thought I had better wait a bit longer." Sir Mark said before explaining, in characteristic fashion, why Pivotal had fluffed his lines in the group one July Cup, after winning the King's Stand Stakes at to train a group one winner.



RACING: NUNTHORPE WIN GIVES NEWMARKET TRAINER FIRST GROUP ONE SUCCESS

Pivotal responds to Duffield's determined driving to take the honours in the group one Nunthorpe Stakes at York yesterday

Duffield, stable jockey to Sir

Mark for more than 20 years,

reflected on the reasons for

their enduring partnership,

which began after a most

unpromising start. They first

met when Sir Mark was

assistant to Jack Waugh and

Duffield was the stable ap-

prentice. "I was a bit cocky.

like most kids, and I thought

he was a bit cocky and we

didn't hit it off. In fact, we took

an instant dislike to each

Royal Ascot. "The trainer ran him too soon after Ascot. The most common disease known to racing is trainer error. Thank God, it is seldom reported.

Sir Mark is renowned for self-deprecation, but do not be fooled. This success mattered more than any number of coups he has masterminded with military precision at the likes of Hamilton and Brighton. It also answered the doubts in his own mind about whether he was good enough

"I'm very happy and also very relieved. It has been a worry to train, by most standards, a large number of winners and yet not produce a very good horse. I was worried there was something we were doing which meant we could not produce a good horse."

The Newmarket trainer continued: "It is a great relief to have Pivotal and Last Second and a couple of decent two year-olds after a long time spent at Hamilton. It makes a change to go for the big races."

Duffield moved to pastures A few yards away, George new but, as he explained, "a

few years later Sir Mark was looking for a jockey on a Bank Holiday Monday and, he probably couldn't find anyone else, so it happened to be me." Duffield won the race at Warwick "and we have never looked back."

Pivotal, owned by Cheveley Park Stud, must have a very fast pace to be seen at his best and Sir Mark speculated about going for the Breeders' Cup Sprint at Woodbine where the race would be run to

While Sir Mark grabbed the

Flying Legend can confirm early promise

CHANNEL 4

2.35: Blue Goblin stayed on strongly inside the last quarter-mile when second to Sambac (subsequently won again) at Yarmouth when sent off a well-backed second favourite on his debut. The Trempolino colt looks sure to appreciate the step up in distance and today's stiffer rrack.

Kumait, who ran so well on his racecourse debut in the Coventry Stakes, was sent off a heavily-backed evens favourite on his next start and was considered something of a disappointment when finishing only third to Grapeshot. However, the form of the race now looks outstanding with the winner having gone on to finish second in the Champagne Stakes at Goodwood and the runner-up, Bahamian Bounty, landing the group one Prix Morny. The Danzig colt can open his

3.05: Pageboy not only has the most experienced jockey in this apprentices' race, but is also a sprinter in form who usually runs well at this track. Patrick Haslam's runner won impressively at Hamilton nine days ago and arguably put up a better performance when finishing second at Pontefract last Sunday. A reproduction of either effort should suffice here. Almasi and Bee Health Boy have shown their best form on ground no firmer than good and the inconsistent Don Pepe may pose a bigger threat.



ON TELEVISION 3.35 Several are in with a chance in a complicated sprint, Jayannpee, Easy Dol-

lar, Venture Capitalist and Rambling Bear are closely matched on Newbury form last month, while Carranita, who arguably has the best form judged on her victory at York, reverts to her optimum trip. In a wide-open affair, it may be worth excusing Atraf for a poor run at Newcastle last time and relying on the form which saw David Morley's runner land the Cork and Orrery Stakes at Royal Ascot.

4.10: Flying Legend has run only twice and lacks the experience of some of these old campaigners but makes his handicap debut on a fair mark. The Alleged colt confirmed the promise of a first run at Leicester when winning a Ripon maiden by four lengths, making all and quickening clear. His breeding suggests this step up in distance can bring about further improvement and Henry Cecil's St Leger entry is preferred to the trebleseeking Bolivar and the wayward Nabhaan.

RICHARD EVANS

NEWMARKET

THUNDERER 2.00 Reams Of Verse

2.35 Kumait

3.35 Carranita 4.10 BOLIVAR (nap) 4.40 Comiche Quest 5.10 Lady Godiva

Our Newmarket Correspondent: 4.10 FLYING LEGEND (nap).

The Times Private Handicapper's top rating: 2.35 KUMAIT.

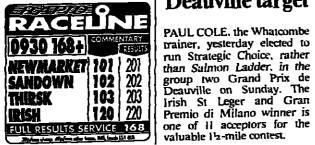
GOING: GOOD TO FIRM TOTE JACKPOT MEETING DRAW: NO ADVANTAGE

2.00 EQUITY FINANCIAL COLLECTIONS FILLIES MAIDEN STAKES (2-Y-D fillies: £4,386: 7f) (8 runners)

1995; RUZNAMA 8-11 W Carson (7-2) & Halls 18 ran

FORM FOCUS

BINT BALADEE (baled Apr 28). Third lost by Nachwan, half-sister to be ownness including sat lart 21 Shanakades, DOURSE PLIGHT 444 3rd of 6 to Multitorie in maldien at Mentasale (71, good to firm). NORHASH about 44 th of 17 to Innoz in maldien here (61, good). REAMS OF VERSE neck and of 11 to Ovalian in maldien over course and



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Deauville target

PAUL COLE, the Whatcombe trainer, yesterday elected to run Strategic Choice, rather than Salmon Ladder, in the group two Grand Prix de Deauville on Sunday. The Irish St Leger and Gran Premio di Milano winner is

2.35 GIRTON MALDEN STAKES 2-Y-O colts and geldings: £4,659: 7f) (13 runners)

BAAHETH (H & Maldourn) R Armstrong 8-11 BLUE GOBLIN 51 (Shelih Mohammed) L Con 40 CHIRGACHGOOK 44 (Capital Pariners) P Hams 8-11. 40 CHREACH-GOOK 44 (Capital Painnest) P Harre 8-11.
DAWN SUMMIT (A Merza) B Harbury 8-11.

0 DOG JAMBORIE 21 (F & W Raburs) L Comani 8-11
PLETING ARDUNO (M & MAISSOUM) M State 8-11.

03 KUMMIT 43 (BF) (Edotophra) S bin Surgor 8-11.

4 MACYAR TITOK 31 (Mes J Woods) B James 8-11.

30 SARATOGA RED 86 (F Mebra) W O'Eorman 8-11.

SUPER MOMARCH (M & Maistoum) E Durlop 8-11.

4 YALAETAKEE 14 (BF) (M & Maistoum) E Durlop 8-11.

4 YALAETAKEE 14 (BF) (M & Maistoum) M Soude 8-11.

1995: EVEN TOP 8-11 P Robinson (12-1) M Tomoleos 19 tan

FORM FOCUS

BLUE GOBLIN 21 2nd of 8 to Sarobac in residen at Yarmouth (6t, good to firm).

CHINGACHGOOK about 4451 4th of 7 to Clock Retaive in maider at Notingham (6t, good to firm) on penulturate start NURAMIT neck and 1341 3nd of minimum and the made in the (6t good to firm) on penulturate start NURAMIT neck and 1341 3nd of the most start YALMETANEE about 44 4th of 13 to Blue River in made in their course and distance good to firm) on penulturate start YALMETANEE about 44 4th of 13 to Blue River in made in their course and distance good to firm).

Selection: KUMAMIT

3.05 HGK SPARK PLUGS APPRENTICES HANDICAP (£3,615; 6f) (8 runners)

BETTING: 3-1 Pageboy, 7-2 Indian Relative, 4-1 Cmt Born Born, 6-1 Sallisluctur, Don Pepe, 7-1 Lucky Revenge, 8-1 others

1995; SIR TASKER 7-8-10 S Sanders (3-1) J.L. Harris 8 cm FORM FOCUS

DIDIAN RELATIVE 11/41 2nd of 10 to Rambold in Itanificate at Pointefract (61, good to firm), LUCKY headleap at Yarmouth (61, good to firm) and penditorer course and distance good to firm) on penditorer and distance good to firm on penditorer scale in the State of 11 to Literary Spacety in handleap at Thirties (61, good) to Waders Drawn in cupiditions race at Federatine (64, good to firm).

PAGEBOY 1/41 2nd of 13 to Formidable L2 in Selections INDAM RELATIVE

COURSE SPECIALISTS

23 7 202 17.9 17 4 14 8 JOCKEYS L Chambek
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GUIDE TO OUR RACECARD

day's main honours, a former

assistant at his yard continued

his remarkable run of recent

success. David Loder pro-

duced a striking newcomer in

Indiscreet, who broke the two-

year-old course record when

winning the Moorestyle Con-

vivial Maiden Stakes to earn a

generous-looking 25-1 quote

from Ladbrokes for next year's

Bianca Nera completed a

notable double for Loder by

outbattling Arethusa to win

the Stakis Casinos Lowther

2,000 Guineas.

won (F—firm, good to firm, hard. 6 — good. S — sell, good to sell, heavy). Owner in brackets. Trainer Age and weight. Rider plus any allowance. The Times Private Handicapper's rating.

3.35 PORTLAND PLACE PROPERTIES HOPEFUL STAKES (Listed race: £11,859; 61) (13 runners)

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1995: CHEYEIRE SPIRIT 3-8-5 J Stack (5-1) 8 Hanbury 11 ran

FORM FOCUS

JAYANNPEE beat EASY DOLLAR (4th better off) neck or 16-numer listed race at Newbury (6t, good to fam) on penultimale start. RAMRLING BEAR beat feive Golf Roser II in 16-numer group III filing George States at Goodwood (5t good to fam). SEA DANIE (ascarded race) 1141 2nd of 10 to Notamal in listed race at Newszalie (6t, firmt on penultimale start, with VENTURE CAPITALIST (3th better off). Selection: RAMBLING BEAR (nap)

4.10 BREHENY HANDICAP (£5,900: 1m 6t 175yd) (7 runners) (25,900, 151 of 17 Syu) (7 Intrines)
501 (7) QH-GS31 MAPTIC HEL 34 (F.S) (Mrs. S Whitehead) 6 Harwood 5-18-0 ... A Clark 92
502 (5) 310-023 TUDDR ISLAND 9 (C.F.S) (0 Seet) C Britain 7-9-2 ... L Deftori 94
503 (3) Q-27363 MARHANN 48 (BF.F) (R.N. Makkoum) 0 Morley 3-9-2 ... W Carson 90
504 (4) 1-00411 BURNAR 28 (B.F.S) (BEL Learner Left R Medium) 4-8-9 ... T Comm 94
505 (5) 41 R-YMG LF6390 54 (F.) L Brunney H Cert 3-8-8 ... W Syran 95
506 (2) 431645 WESTERN SAL 14 (C.F.G) (Mrs. J McAlfixor) J L Harrs 4-8-4 ... T Sprade 95
507 (1) 126 SWAN HUNTER 48 (6) (A Gome) D Catagoror 3-8-1 ... J Stack 93

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5.10 SAXHAM NURSERY HANDICAP

(2-Y-0: £6.056: 1m) (8 runners) BETTING: 5-2 Blue River, 3-1 Right Tune, 7-2 Barrivond Crackers, 6-1 Lady Godina, 7-1 Swalfow Breaze, 8-1 Suc O'Tirol, 10-1 others

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GOING: GOOD TO FIRM DRAW: 5F-6F, HIGH NUMBERS BEST

2.25 PETER BEAUMONT SELLING STAKES (2-Y-0; £2,845: 7f) (11 runners) 7-4 Marand, 3-1 Comerake, 9-2 Soviet Lady, 5-1 Morticest House, 7-1 Salver Ray, 10-1 Degletous Got, 12-1 others

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3.25 JIMMY FITZGERALD NURSERY HANDICAP (2-Y-0: £4,011: 6I) (6)

1 2112 BAYFORD THRUST 41 (BF.6) J Berry 9-7 J Carroll 3
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5 1553 MISSTER, JOEL 30 (B.D.P.) Mis Easterly 3-8-4 Date Gibbon 11

6 1332 OATEY 5 (D.B.F.) Miss J Ramades 3-9-4 J Forman 8

7 6221 KALAR 17 (B.D.F.S.) Disconan 7-8-13 K Darley 10

8 5006 TIME TO RLY 27 B Magray 3-8-4 T Williams 4

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COURSE SPECIALISTS TRAINCHS: M Prescut, 10 wenners from 33 numers 30.3%, A Amstrong, 4 kom 14, 29.6%, J Forchave, 5 from 22, 27.3%; M Johnston, 18 from 101, 17.6%, Mr. J Ramsden, 9 from 67, 13.4%, P Harris, 4 kom 30, 13.3%. JOCKEYS: M Fenton, 3 winners from 9 rides, 33.3%, G Duffield, 29 from 12, 25.9%; M Tebboll, 5 from 32, 15.6%, O Pears 5 from 34, 17.7%, D McKlevin, 14 from 109, 12.6%, J Fortune, 16 from 140, 11.4%.

☐ Musetta (trained by Clive Brittain). Silca Blanka (Mick Channon) and Penny Drops (Lord Huntingdon) tackle the group three Spreti Rennen over ten furlongs at Baden-

SANDOWN PARK THUNDERER

2.15 Dozen Roses. 2.45 Elbaaha. 3.20 Fionn De Cool. 3.50 Step Aloft. 4.20 Out Line. 4.50 State Approval. Our Newmarket Correspondent 4.20 Desert Serenade.

GOING: GOOD TO FIRM DRAW: 5F, LOW NUMBERS BEST 2.15 THAMES DITTON SELLING NURSERY HANDICAP

(2-Y-0: £3,420: 51 6yd) (8 runners) 3-1 Weeking Musuc. 7-2 Le Shuttle, 5-1 Dancing Star. 11-2 Silves Linung. 13-2 Songlanyoursupper 8-1 Will To Win, 10-1 others

2.45 AUGUST MAIDEN FILLIES STAKES (2-Y-0: £3,485: 1m 14yd) (6)

(3) 3 FLBAHA 21 M James 6-11 P Robinson 91
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(4) 03 HAPP FO LUCKY 22 R O Sulvan 8-11 S Sanders 63
(2) PRETTY SHARP A Lavis 8-11 W J O'Connor P
(5) 3 SADDLERS' HOPE 16 J Førstave 8-11. W R Swindum 96 11-4 Bhagha, 3-1 Sadders Hope 7-2 Etrayahn, 4-1 Happy Go Lucky, 9-2 French Med. 25-1 Pretly Starp

3.20 RON MILLER BIRTHDAY **CELEBRATION HANDICAP**

(£4,260: 1m 14yd) (9)

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1 (1) 0200 BENNARD SEVEN 24 (B.D.F.G) C British 4-9-10

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2 (2) 0540 NORDINEX 24 (D.F.G) R Arrestrong 4-9-9

3 (8) 2006 BEAZE OF SUNG 13 (D.E.G) R Harnes 4-9-8 Dane O'Nest

4 (5) -522 BON (LOCK 24 (BF) J Faistines 4-9-5

4 (9) 043 FROWN DE COOL 6 (D.F.R Alterbard 5-9-4 ... S Sanders

5 (4) 0443 FROWN DE COOL 6 (D.F.R Alterbard 5-9-4 ... S Sanders

7 (3) 3-23 MANSAB 122 (BF) P Murphy 3-9-2 ... J Tale

8 (9) 3001 NOATHARY 22 (BF) P Murphy 3-9-2 ... J Tale

9 (7) 3470 MALOS 9 (F.G.) 1 Manghon 5-8-6 ... R Biblis 52

3-1 Ben Lucia 7-2 Arcathary 4-1 From De Cool, 6-1 Priza Pupil, 7-1 Nordinex, 8-1
Maricala, 10-1 Blaze Of Song, 12-1 others

3.50 HINCHLEY WOOD LIMITED STAKES (£3,713: 1m 3f 91yd) (5) (2) 4-20 LOKG 11 (CD.F.G.5) G Lems 8-9-4 ... A Wheten (3) 80 (3) 0511 DMMNITME 8 (F) J Hills 3-9-1 ... M Henry (3) (8) (1) 2-20 STEP ALDFT 34 (8F) Lord Huntington 4-9-1 W R Sanchurn 97 (4) G-00 ZACAROON 6 (C.S.) J Fisch-Heyes 5-9-1 ... S Sanchur 5 (5) 4010 TRACEABLITY 64 (D.F.G.) S Williams 3-8-11 ... G Carter 97

2-1 Diminustre, 11-4 Susp Alob, 3-1 Loty, 7-2 Traceability, 15-1 Zacarnon. 4.20 WALTON MAIDEN FILLIES STAKES

(£3,599: /f 10y0) (10)

1 (2) D423 OUT LINE 42 M Madgwick 4-9-2 ... N Variety (3) 92
2 (10) 5 DANLORA 13 W Jane: 3-8-11 ... M Jillis 97
3 (4) F DESERT SERIBIADE 22 E Dandon 3-8-11 ... S Sandars 84
4 (5) 3 MTDMATION B J Toter 3-8-11 ... S Sandars 84
5 (9) 2-4 NERRY RNIS 128 (8F) J Gaster 3-8-11 ... R 168: 89
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7 (8) 2038 REALLY A DREAM 15 MS 50-8-11 ... R 168: 89
8 (9) SCHERNAR W Jane: 3-8-11 ... W J O'Connor 89
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4.50 SURREY RACING HANDICAP

13-Y-0: £3,875: 1m 6f) (6) 1 (1) 2133 SHOOTING LIGHT 73 (5) P Murphy 9-7 . . M Halls 94 2 (2) 1652 MAJOR DUNDEE 14 (F) R Harrison 9-5 . . Deane O'Holl 83 (5) 5032 CHARMANG ADMARAL 50 C Wall 8-11 . . S Sanders 91 3) 65-5 ROSEBERRY AVENUE 20 (8F) Lady Herres 8-10

COURSE SPECIALISTS TRANSERS: J Gosden, 22 without from 109 numbers, 20.2%, M. Jarvis, 5 from 26, 19.2%, J. Farishawe, 13 from 72, 18.1%, Lady Hernes, 7 from 41, 17,1%; M. Steute, 25 from 154, 16.2%,

JOCKEYS: 6 Carer, 8 winners from 44 rides, 182%, Dane O'Nell, 6 from 36, 16.7%; W R Swedium, 20 from 140, 14.3%, M Hills, 12 from 117, 10.3%. Only qualifiers Hills given four-day ban

RICHARD HILLS was suspended for four days for irresponsible riding after his mount, Wardara, had been disqualified from first place in the Bungay Fillies' Handicap at Yarmouth yesterday. Hills was deemed to have barged his way through when making his challenge two furlongs out.

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CRICKET: LANCASHIRE BATSMAN RESUMES HIS INNINGS SIX RUNS SHORT OF MAIDEN TEST CENTURY

Crawley so close to fulfilment at highest level

lest match temperament, like the love of God and the career of Chris Lewis, "passeth all understanding", but there was no mistaking it yesterday. John Crawley has it with knobs on and, if he finds the six runs he needs this morning to complete his first Test hundred, it may be just the liberating innings that enables him to make many more.

One or two eyebrows were raised when Crawley was preferred to other batsmen in oetter form for the Headingley Test. He batted well there, to justify the decision, and he batted quite superbly yester-day. After failing to pick up the length of a ball from Waqar Younis when he was two, and getting the benefit of a leg-before shout, he played not a false stroke until Sohail found his edge 86 runs later. Some of his strokes were

giorious. He drove Mushtaq through cover three times in an over with something approaching majesty, and pushed Wasim back down the pitch in a way that recalled the words of that formidable Hampshireman, Phil Mead: "Hard enough for four, hard enough". He defended stoutly too, when he had to, and appeared to be the least concerned person on the ground when he ran out of overs last

Temperament without it the most talented players are washed up on the rocky shores. It was absolutely clear yesterday that Crawley, like the less gifted Nick Knight in his short Test career, feels

Rain halts

Kent's

progress

By JOHN THICKNESSE

CARDIFF: (first day of four.

Kent won toss) Kent have

scored 128 for three wickets

KENT'S hopes of reasserting

themselves in the race for the

county championship suf-

fered at the hands of the

Cardiff weather yesterday.

Only 42.5 overs were possible

at Sophia Gardens before the

second downpour of the day

ended play shortly after

It was time that second-

placed Kent can ill-afford to

lose, although David Fulton

and Matthew Walker at least

laid the foundations of a big

first-innings score with an

275 not out against Somerset

last week, was the beneficiary

of a rare loose throw from

Adrian Dale. Responding to

Fulton's call for a single,

Walker checked in mid-pitch

and would have been run out

by several feet had the throw

been on target. Instead, it flew

over the head of Adrian Shaw,

the Glamorgan wicketkeeper,

Walker reached 59 before

cutting Dale to Steve James at

gully, his first championship

dismissal since David Capel

trapped him leg-before at

Northampton 15 days and 388

In the over before Walker's

dismissal, Fulton drove Steve

Barwick for exquisite straight

fours to complete his 50 off 127

for an overthrow.

runs earlier.

Walker, fresh from scoring

opening partnership of 122.

against Glamorgan

lunch.

MICHAEL **HENDERSON**



At the Oval

comfortable at this level. whereas Mark Ramprakash and Graeme Hick, for all their runs elsewhere, never were.

More than most, Crawley was always the man "most likely to". Cyril Washbrook, to whom flattery is a foreign tongue, declared that the teenage Crawley "would play for England by the time he was 21". Washbrook was a year out and when Crawley was selected, against South Africa two summers ago, he looked out of sorts. He also favoured the on side excessively, and the quality of his off-side driving yesterday was a blessed reminder of how the determined player

can reform his game. Three times in his Test career, Crawley has been denied opportunities that should have been his. England picked Mike Gatting ahead of him in

YORKSHIRE, whose champ-

ionship campaign was in seri-

ous danger of entering a

freefall after three successive

defeats against moderate op-

position, enjoyed about as

good a day as they could have

They won an important toss and their undernourished

batsmen spent the day feast-

ing on some indifferent Lanca-

shire bowling to establish a

strong position on a dry pitch

that may break up. In view of

the fact that Lancashire put

them out of both knockout

cups at the semi-final stage

this season, it was a doubly

Three batsmen - Moxon.

Vaughan and White, who

have all experienced lean

times of late - scored half-

centuries and Byas weighed in

with a fluent 45. The only

failure was McGrath, who

was unfortunate to be leg-

before to a ball that kept low,

and even he spent 75 minutes

Yorkshire's largest partner-

ship was put together by Moxon and Vaughan, their

opening pair, who rattled up

110 in the first 32 overs as

though neither they nor their side had a care in the world.

fixtures when a boundary

before lunch was regarded as

an unspeakable act of rash-

There was a time in Roses

at the crease.

satisfying day's work.

hoped for yesterday.

Ashes series. He was then demoted behind Ramprakash last year, against West Indies. and yet again when Robin Smith was favoured in South Africa last winter.

Earlier this year David Lloyd, Crawley's former coach whether his pupil would kick on this summer. "It won't be of men like Atherton and Crawley as soft, because they went to a decent school and or guts. Put it this way, he won't fold.

He is just short of his 25th birthday and the events of the past two years have helped to reinforce his natural ability with a hunger to force that ability home. There is plenty of time for him to justify the kind words that have been lavished on him. Graham Gooch was almost 27 when he made his first Test hundred. Mark Waugh, the batsman Crawley most admires; was 25 when he made one, on his first attempt, and look at him now.

It is not being naughty to suggest Crawley can prosper to bat at that level if he maintains the improvement of the last year. Whatever, he is going to give a lot of people a lot of pleasure. At his best, like Waugh, he makes batting look

easy. So, please: six more runs!

Moxon, nine to Vaughan and

three to Byas - and any fewer

would have been a serious act

ed his highest first-class score

for two months, should have

had a twelfth, but he failed to

get to the pitch of a wide ball

from Keedy and spooned it up

for the diving Lloyd to catch. Asked how he felt about being

caught at extra cover in the

first session of a Roses match,

Moxon replied: "I am spin-

in the afternoon through tight

bowling from Keedy, who turned the occasional ball

sharply against his former

county, and Green, who was

the pick of the seamers, but

White ensured Yorkshire took

the honours in the final ses-

sion. Batting in traditional

Roses fashion, not scoring until his 26th delivery, he

gradually took control and

unleashed some fine strokes in

an unbeaten 66 before bad

light brought an early close.

Green, 20, looks a fine

prospect. He bowls at skid-

ding medium-pace and pos-

sesses a useful awayswinger,

but his opportunities are likely

to be limited. It will be the task

of Lancashire's new coach to

ensure that he and other

promising cricketers stay at a

club capable of winning one-

day trophies but apparently

Lancashire fought back well

ning in my grave already.

Indeed, Moxon, who record-



Crawley plays a handsome drive on his way to an unbeaten 94 at the Oval yesterday

at Old Trafford, was asked for want of effort", he answered. There is a tendency in certain dim quarters to think read History at Cambridge. But Atherton has shown the world how soft he is, and Crawley is not far behind his captain either in intelligence

White puts seal on

productive clash

By Simon WILDE

HEADINGLEY (first day of ness on the part of any four; Yorkshire won tossj: batsman, but Lancashire

Yorkshire have scored 305 for bowled so poorly that there

five wickets against Lanca- were 23 yesterday - 11 to

Archer takes up Dowman's lead

By JACK BAILEY

TRENT BRIDGE (first day of way towards making up for four: Nottinghamshire won that, coming in when his side toss): Nottinghamshire have was telling an all too familiar

scored 392 for six wickets THERE was a touch of class on display at Trent Bridge yesterday. It belonged to Mathew Dowman, who made batting look easy while scoring his maiden century in

championship cricket for Nottinghamshire. Good left-handers tend to be brushed with an elegance that their orthodox counterparts find hard to emulate, but, elegant though he was, there was more to Dowman's innings of 107 than that. For two hours and 20 minutes, he had the Surrey bowlers wondering where to bowl. In old-fash-

ioned terms, he put them to the sword. Dowman's career has been chequered one. He sprang. perhaps too soon, into the limelight when, in 1993, he made 267 for England Under-19 against their West Indian counterparts — still a record score for England in that category. It was a match in which Chanderpaul was on the opposite side, but, while the West Indian has flourished, Dowman has experienced more than his share of

ill luck and disappointment. A back injury and loss of form have led to his appearing in only 16 first-class matches; this season, in only two before this one. With only 37 runs in three innings, his summer had been scarcely impressive, but yesterday he went a long

story to Nottingham folk three wickets down for 87 on a good pitch; Robinson, Metcalfe and Johnson all victims more of their own folly than lethal Surrey bowling.

Then Dowman took charge, With Graeme Archer blos-soming in his shadow, he went on to his half-century from 59 balls with eight impeccable fours, reached his century 51 balls later and, with Archer. added 187 in 38 overs that were a delight to watch. At the age of 22, there seems, on this evidence, to be no reason why the young left-hander should

not have a sparkling future. Shortly after his record score against the West Indians two years ago, Surrey fielders are alleged to have levelled taunts of "Golden Boy" at him. He made 31 then. As Surrey bowled and Dowman batted, and Nottinghamshire experienced one of their best days in a sequence which has brought them only one win in 18 championship matches, they were words coming home to

Archer is another player whose career has been under review. Determination was the hallmark of his unbeaten 143, which spanned 44 hours against a Surrey attack that, for all their prominent position in the race for the championship, leaned heavily on the slow left arm of Darren Bicknell, who bowled mostly, alas, from over the wicket.

G A Gooch not out D D J Robinson not out Total (no wkt, 25 overs) A P Grayson, *P J Prichard, R C Irani, J J B Lewis, †R J Rollins, M C liott, N F Williams, A P Cowen and P M Such to A F Giles not out
*T A Munion not out Bonus points: Essex 4 Gloucestershire Umpires: J D Bond and K E Palmer

Glamorgan v Kent CARDIFF (first day of four; Kent won toss): Kent have scored 128 for one wicket against Glamorgan

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Essex v Gloucestershire

COLCHESTER (first day of four, Gloucestershire won toss); Essex with all first-innings wickets in hand, are 208 runs behind Gloucestershire

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M W Allayne c Lewis b Such
TR C Russell c Irani b Cowan
M C J Ball c Lewis b Cowan
A M Smith b Lowan
C A Walsh not out

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-57, 2-113, 3-134, 4-165, 5-173, 6-242, 7-257, 8-263, 9-263.

BOWLING: flott 16-1-47-2; Williams 16-2-62-1; Irani 11-0-53-1; Cowan 16-3-68-5; Such 15-7-25-1; Grayson 3-0-

ESSEX: First Innings

Total (77 overs)

as (b 4, lb 1, w 1, nb 8) Total (1 wkt, 42.5 overs) . C L Hooper, N J Llong, M V Flerring.
*†S A Marsh, D W Headley, M M Patel,
M J McCague and T N Wren to bat.

FALL OF WICKET: 1-122 BOWLING: Watkin 8-1-21-0; Gibson 10-2-32-0; Dale 8.5-2-31-1; Barwick 11-5-18-0; Hemp 5-0-21-0.

GLAMORGAN: S P James, H Morris, D L Hemp, "M P Maymard, P A Cottey, A Dale, O D Gibson, N M Kendrick, †A D Shaw, S L Watten, S R Barwick. Umpires: B Dudleston and G Sharp. Leicestershire v Hampshire

LEICESTER (first day of lour, Leicestershire won toss): Leicester-shire have scored 343 for eight wickets against Hampshire LEICESTERSHIRE: First Imings

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Total (8 wkts, 104 overs) . M T Brimson to bal. FALL OF WICKETS: 1-33, 2-60, 3-122, 4-144, 5-167, 6-276, 7-321, 8-322. BOWLING: Bovil 263-93-2; Rershaw 22-8-55-4; Stephenson 17-6-53-1; James 24-1-89-1; Udal 10-2-33-0; Keech 5-1-8-0.

HAMPSHIRE: *J P Stephenson, G W White. K D James. R A Smith, W S Aymes, S D Udal, S J Renshaw, J N B Bovill.

Bonus points: Leicestershire 3 Hamp-Umpires: G I Burgess and R Palmer.

Northamptonshire v Sussex NORTHAMPTON (first day of four, Sussex won loss): Sussex have scored 368 for seven wickels against Northamptonshire

SUSSEX: First Innings

Total (7 wkts, 107 overs) J D Lawry and R J Kirtley to bat FALL OF WICKETS: 1-45, 2-95, 3-244, 4-261, 5-277, 6-280, 7-289. ROWLING: Ambrose 17-6-40-0; Taylor 16-1-91-1; Capel 15-1-58-0; Emburey 29-7-75-2; Snape 15-2-49-0; Pen-berthy 15-4-36-4.

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE: "A Ford-ham, R R Montgomerie, K J Innes, K M Curran, D J Capel, A L Penberthy, J E Emburey, J N Snape, 10 Ripley, C E L Ambrose, J P Taylor Bonus points: Northamptonshire 3 Umpires: A Clarkson and J W Holder

Nottinghamshire v Surrey TRENT BRIDGE (Inst day of lour; Notunghamshire won loss) Not-tinghamshire have scored 392 for six wickets against Surrey

NOTTINGHAMSHIRE: First Immigs M P Dowman c and b D J Bicknell 107

YESTERDAY'S SCOREBOARDS R T Bates, M N Bowen and J A Afford

> FALL OF WICKETS: 1-64, 2-83, 3-98 4-285, 5-290, 6-309. 90WLING: M P Bicknell 13-2-44-0; Benjamin 13-2-47-1; Juhan 13-3-0-78-1; Hollipake 12-3-43-0; Pearson 29-4-87-2; Shahid 4-0-27-0; D J Bicknell 15-

SURREY: D J Bicknell, M A Butcher, J D Ratcliffe, "A D Brown, A J Hollicate, N Shahid, 1G J Kersey, R M Pearson, B P Julian, M P Bicknell, J E Benjamin. Bonus points: Nottinghamshire 4 Umpires: T E Jesty and A A Jones.

Worcestershire v Warwickshire

WORCESTER (first day of four, Warwickshire won toss): Warwickshire have scored 255 for nine wickets against Worcestershire WARWICKSHIRE: First Innings

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-92, 2-93, 3-99, 4-128, 5-142, 6-149, 7-149, 8-161, 9-

BOWLING: Sheriyar 12-3-50-1; Ellis 7-1-36-0; Moody 8-1-32-0; Lempitt 22-5-69-4; Ringworth 31-13-48-4; Hick 4-2-

WORCESTERSHIPE: W P C Weston. T S Curtis, G A Hick, "T M Moody, K R Spiring, V S Solanki, 15 J Fihodes, S R Lampint, R K Illiangworth, S W K Ellis, A Shortest Bonus points Worcestershire 4 Warwickshire 2 Umpres: A G T Whitehead and P

Yorkshire v Lancashire HEADINGLEY (first day of four; York-shire won toss): Yorkshire have scored 305 for five wickets against Lancashire

YORKSHIRE: First Innings M D Moxon c Lloyd b Keedy ... M P Vaughan c Hegg b Keedy *D Byas c Watkinson b Green ... A McGrath lbw b Green C White not out . ev not out ras (b 4, lb 4, nb 4). Total (5 wkts, 100 overs) .. D Gough, P J Hartley, C E W Silverwood and R D Sterrip to bat. FALL OF WICKETS: 1-110, 2-131, 3-182, 4-187, 5-273.

BOWLING: Martin 16-4-58-0; Chapple 10-1-48-0; Green 19-5-52-2; Keedy 34-9-75-2; Walkinson 14-4-44-0; Gallian 7-2-20-1.

LANCASHIRE: S P Titchard, J E R Gallian, N J Speak, N H Fairbrother, G D Lloyd, "M Watkinson, †W K Hegg, R J Green, G Kaedy, P J Martin, G Chapple. Bonus points: Yorkshire 3 Lancashire

Umpires: J H Harris and V A Holder.

WESTON-SUPER-MARE (second day of four): Somerset, with six first-innings wickets in hand, are 90 runs behind Contract. DURHAM: First Innings 326 (D M Cox 95 not out, S L Campbell 69; G D Rose 7 inc 72)

SOMERSET: First Innings M N Lathwell c Hutton b Killeen85 S Lee not out Extras (b 1, lb 17, w 1) Total (4 wids, 74.1 overs) 236 tRJ Turner, GD Rose, JID Kerr and A FALL OF WICKETS: 1-60, 2-76, 3-96,

4-154. BOWLING: Brown 22-8-71-2; Saggers 23-9-52-1; Killeen 15.1-2-52-0; Cox 23-9-52-1; 10-2-34-1; Bainbridge 4-2-9-0. Bonus points: Somerset 5 Durham 4 Umpires: H D Bird and R A White. .

Third under-19 Test match England v New Zealand HOVE (first day of four; England won toss). England have scored 345 for seven wickets against New Zealand

ENGLAND: First Innings T Smith flow b Sewell
A J Swann flow b Cunis
D A Shah flow b Sewell A C Morns b Sewell ... Extras (b 6, b 3, nb 14) Total (7 wkts, 104 overs)

C L Campbell and M J Hoggard to bat. FALL OF WICKETS: 1-10, 2-50, 3-188, 4-190, 5-239, 6-310, 7-343 BOWLING: Sewell 19-0-84-3; Cuns 19-1-73-2; Walker 8-1-40-0, Vetton 33-9-77-2; McMillan 10-3-22-0; Mortand

NEW ZEALAND: M D Bell, M D J Walker, N R Parlane, "C D McMillan, J D P Oram, J I Englefield, tG J Hopkins, S J Curs, D L Vettor, N D Morland, D Umpires. D J Constant and B Leadbeater.

Sales drives towards century

BY PAT GIBSON

Under-19s have scored 345 runs for seven wickets against New Zealand Under-19s

THERE will be those at Northampton, John Emburey included, who believe that David Sales would have been better off playing for the county yesterday, but the 135 he scored in this third and final international was of far more value to English cricket than anything he might have achieved in a relatively meaningless championship match. Even at this level, there is an intensity about international cricket that is so often missing from the county game and Sales had to show character

England had been outplayed by a more disciplined New Zealand side in losing the second match at Worcester

and commitment as well as his

unquestioned ability to give

England the upper hand in a

match they must win to save

HOVE (first day of four; and it is important that they England won toss): England put the record straight.

The early signs were not auspicious. Batty, who captained England in the first two was unavailable because he has been suspended by Yorkshire for a breach of discipline, while Hollioake, of Surrey, was ruled out with an ankle injury. They also made a sketchy

start. Sewell, the brisk leftarmer, who took ten wickets at



Worcester, swung one in to claim Smith leg-before and Cunis dismissed Swann the same way before Owais Shah and Sales put on 138 for the third wicket.

> Shah, 17, who has already made his championship debut for Middlesex, struck 15 fours in his 91 off only 143 balls, but. for all his precocious talent, he did not look in quite the same class as Sales, only a year older, who built the first century of the series in the classic manner.

> He needed 96 balls for his first 50, which included six fours, but there were nine boundaries in his second 50 from only 53 balls, with driving on both sides of the wicket that was reminiscent of a

bygone age. Morris got the best delivery of the day from Sewell and was bowled third ball and Afzaal was undone by Vettori, an impressive young left-arm spinner, but Wagh made 38 on his debut to ensure that England retained the initiative.

most of Cowan's hat-trick

By Ivo Tennant

Essex make

COLCHESTER (first day of four: Gloucestershire toss): Essex, with all firstinnings wickets in hand, are 208 runs behind Gloucestershire

FOR ESSEX, victory at Castle Park has been commonplace down the years. If they bat today as competently as their openers did yesterday, that should be the case again.

Gloucestershire, for whom Andrew Symonds and Jack Russell made half-centuries in their contrasting styles. were bowled out for 280, Ashley Cowan, the promising medium pacer, taking the first hat-trick of his career. Cowan had Davis taken at

third slip at the end of one over, and then had Ball caught at short leg and bowled Smith. If these were not the most distinguished trio of batsmen, no matter: Wisden will record this as his first hat-trick and nothing else will matter. Rated highly by Neil Foster, who gave his all to Essex, Cowan took five wickets for the first time.

He is the first Essex bowler to take a hat-trick at Colchester. There are similarities as well as differences between him and Foster, although some of these are superficial. One smiles, the other scowls - and there are no prizes for guessing which is which.

Both certainly know how to finish off an innings. Cowan took the last four Gloucestershire wickets at a cost of 15 runs. When Essex went in, Gooch stroked the ball around as if retirement was the last thing on his mind.

Essex expect to win in Colchester week. They will look to gain a substantial firstinnings lead today and to bowl out Gloucestershire again on a pitch that should increasingly take spin. They chose not to play Childs, who has armounced his retirement, even though he has taken wickets on this ground on numerous occasions.

Gloucestershire's batting, Russell and Symonds apart, was hugely disappointing. On a decent, dry pitch, already taking a little spin, batsmen played themselves in and got hemselves out Hewson struck seven fours

in his 37, which would suggest he should have gone on to make a larger score before he was caught at gully. Windows played on and Hancock, Lynch and Alleyne - the guts of the middle order - contributed to their own dismissals. Yet all credit to Cowan, this gangling 21-year-old, who has the makings of a top-class

BY RUPERT COX

LEICESTER (first day of Jour.

PHIL SIMMONS is developing, at 33, into a most valuable overseas acquisition. Already fifth in the national bowling averages, Simmons struck a rapacious century yesterday at Grace Road and, in alliance with Paul Nixon, revitalised the Leicestershire innings from a vulnerable 167 for five to sustain their championship

challenge. persistent knee injury.

With Vince Wells commencing in confident mood, driving and Richard Illingworth fluently and able to lunge brought about a collapse with

Simmons lifts Leicestershire spirits

Leicestershire won toss): Leicestershire have scored 343 for eight wickets against

On a typically verdant, though docile Leicester surface, James Whitaker, returning after three matches to captain the home team, took first use of the wicket against a threadbare Hampshire attack. The Hampshire leading wicket-taker, Cardigan Connor, missed the match because of a

forward with apparent impunity, the omens appeared bleak for Hampshire, but, in the twelfth over. Wells was enticed into playing at an outswinger from Simon Renshaw and, shortly afterwards, Darren Maddy suc-

Worcestershire suffer repeat performance four wickets apiece. That

THE bowlers of Worcestershire, denied by an unbroken Middlesex last-wicket stand of 101 at Lord's last week, were thwarted yesterday by the Warwickshire tenth-wicket pair, Ashley Giles and Tim Munton (Geoffrey Wheeler Writes).

When rain brought an early close at New Road, they had put on 86 in taking the score to 255 for nine. The innings had 38 overs for the third wicket run an erratic course, Wasim Khan and Michael Powell with his captain, Alan Wells, who made 51. Vasbert Drakes putting on 92 for the first later weighed in with a hardwicket before Stuart Lampitt hitting 59 and has so far

cumbed to some late inswing from Kevan James.

Whitaker was then joined by the punchy Ben Smith and together they added a breezy 62 until Whitaker's defences were breached by James Bovill, seaming the ball back

there was nothing amiss with the pitch was illustrated by Giles, who has hit eight fours in 57, while Munton weighed in with a six off Graeme Hick. Neil Lenham celebrated his return to the Sussex side by scoring 145 of their 368 for seven at Northampton. Lenham, out for the past three weeks with a broken finger. hit 22 fours and added 149 in

added 79 with Nicky Phillips.

the off stump to end an enterprising contribution of

After lunch, Hampshire's bowling resources were further stretched when their captain, John Stephenson, was unable to take the field having aggravating a shoulder mus-cles. Nonetheless, their bowlers stuck gamely to their task: Smith edged to second slip and Aftab Habib was brilliantly held off the inside edge by Adrian Aymes. Simmons, though, is a resil-

ient character and he mixed caution with some robust strokeplay. Having straightdriven Renshaw into the sightscreen, he brought up his half-century in 64 balls. Nixon played judiciously in Simmons's wake as they steadily accumulated a century stand in 29 overs to steer Leicestershire to more secure territory. Having acquired his third century for Leicestershire in little more than two hours, Simmons departed, lamely hitting Renshaw to mid-on.

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Ferguson

escapes

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By PETER BALL

ALEX FERGUSON, the

Manchester United manager, will escape censure from the Football Association over his attempt to approach the refer-

ee. Graham Poll, at the end of his team's 2-2 draw with Everton on Wednesday night. A furious Ferguson had to be restrained by Brian Kidd, his

"We've spoken to the referee and he tells us he has no

intention of mentioning the

matter in his report," Steve

Double, an FA spokesman,

said yesterday. "As far as Graham Poll is concerned, he

was not involved in a confron-

Ferguson was unhappy that

Poll had failed to add on

enough time to compensate for

Everton's time wasting as

United fought back in the second half. After the game, Ferguson suggested that foot-

ball should adopt the same

system as American football

or rugby league, with an

independent timekeeper stop-

ping the clock whenever the ball goes dead. It is, though, questionable whether even

that system would encompass

Old Trafford's local rule, that

play should continue until

Ferguson could also cele-

brate the news that Roy Keane

has signed a new four-year

contract, ending speculation

about a move to Barcelona.

United score the winner.

tation with Alex Ferguson."

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DALGLISH

CARICHE 1951: Som in Lamarinos, Gesgon 1968: Turned professional with Cetter 1969: First-team debut, 1971; First Scotland cap, 1977: Johned Liverpool for 1900,000 1995; Apportud manager of Liverpool, 1997; Recign: in February; apportude Blacidium manager in October, 1995; Leads Blacidium to first champ-oriship for 81 years. Becomes director of football 1996; Leaves by murual consort.

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of victims afterwards and still

carries a dignified sense of

commitment to those support-

ers. He has been scarred by

those events and the most

important lesson that he car-

ries with him is that football is

not more important than life

That is why when at Liver-

pool the pressure got so in-tense that he felt his head

might explode" he turned his

back on it. There were health

problems, severe ones to be

outlined in a new book he has

Again, a year ago, he was

written and he knew it was not

suffering health problems — he spent some time in hospital

during Blackburn's title-win-

ning season — and he knew he

wanted far more to spend time

with his family than with the

day-to-day hassles of his job. He seemed to have found the

perfect answer, a backroom

He will be back, of that

worth it.

CLESS REF R. .. A.M.

David Maddock on the latest twist in the career of Kenny Dalglish

Enigma of man who lost the will to manage

'He has

wood Park on a damp Lancashire morning. There are people. heavy with the misty rain that seems to seep into every crevice, moving slowly about the place with little purpose. their heads turned down from the grey skies.

There is little to do in Blackburn, but the lack of meaning on the faces of those milling about the place can more be ascribed to a sense of loss. Kenny Dalglish, the man who dragged Blackburn Rovers out of the

cobbled backstreets onto the football superhighway, resigned twice seen the night before.

Despite the dispeople die may expressed by many of his adorat football ing tans yesterday, the demise of grounds' Dalglish as a Rovers figurehead

caused barely a flutter in the football world, such was the lack of surprise. For the past year, Dalglish had been employed as Director of Football and few expected it to continue for much longer.

As a manager, Dalglish has clawed his way to the summit of the game, but suffered altitude sickness and retired from the dizzying heights. Yesterday was another stomach-churning drop on his roller-coaster ride of highs and lows in the game he can not get out of his blood. Little more than a year ago.

he had steered Blackburn to their first championship success in 81 years to lay claim to true greatness in management. Then, inexplicably, just as he had done four years previously at Liverpool, he turned his back on it all by resigning as manager. Black-

burn begged him to stay and created a directorship to keep him, but the seeds of his departure were sown that day.

Dalglish's influence effect-

ively ended a year ago when he stepped down as manager. Effectively, he left a year ago," Robert Coar, the club chairman, said yesterday. Coar clearly admitted that the club had taken the decision to remove him as Director of Football because it was a situation that did not work. There was not a job for him.

The former Scotland international was upset privately confessing his disappointment at the way he has been treated. That was clearly on the agenda when he spoke of the departure vesterday. "It

is the first time I have become unemployed by someone else's choice. We came to the same opinion that I should leave, albeit the club came to that deicision before me," he

It was obvious that the ghostly presence of Dalglish. hovering in the Ewood Park shadows, was beginning to haunt Ray Harford, his successor. Following the departure of Alan Shearer, Harford has been put under immense pressure to achieve and the last thing he needs is a predecessor still there remind-

ing everyone past glories.

The real question is not why he has departed this week, but why he jumped out of the manager's seat a year ago. He had done the same before, remember, when he stunned Merseyside by walking out on Liverpool in 1991. Both times.



Dalglish is exultant as the final whistle of the 1994-95 season sees Blackburn Rovers crowned as champions

he had achieved much and was conceivably on the verge of much more.

Dalglish is a genuine enigma. He rarely offers a straight answer and no one has pinned

style. He is a family man, his wife, Marina, and four children occupying his thoughts even when immersed in the cut-throat business of football. He wanted, he said, to spend

quitting in such spectacular more time with them. But it is Heysel, he was shielded from more than that, much more. Kenny Dalglish has twice witnessed disaster at a football ground. He has seen people die as they innocently pursued a leisure pastime. At

worst of it. At Hillsborough, where 95 Liverpool fans suffered terrible deaths. Dalglish witnessed the full horror. He grieved with the families



Keane arrived at Old Trafford position, plenty of golf and to watch Wednesday's game still involvement at a lesser level, but it was not to be. and sign the forms 24 hours

This week, it was football after a knee operation, which turning its back on Dalglish will keep him out for a month. for a change and he almost United will lose Philip Nevfeels betrayed, especially after ille for a longer period. Neville leaving a legacy of rejuvena-tion at Ewood Park. He has is having an ankle operation next week and is expected to miss seven FA Carling Preturned the club around and he has also created a wonderful miership and three European vouth structure that will soon Cup Champions' League

> Ferguson believes Everton could be contenders in the Premiership race. "If they keep Duncan Ferguson fit. they've got a chance, because he is a handful," he said.

Paul Dickov, the Arsenal striker, was last night talking to Manchester City after the London club accepted their offer of £750,000.

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Scotland look to new strike force

By Kevin McCarra

SO INCESSANT was the lobbying that Craig Brown might have believed he had wandered into the midst of a political campaign. Even a car park attendant at Old Trafford on Wednesday night wanted to plead Duncan Ferguson's case and, once the Scotland manager reached the plush lounges at the club, he found Everton directors waiting to extol their centre forward.

Ferguson, of course, provided the best character reference of all, blighting Manchester United's defence with the force of some natural disaster and scoring twice. For Brown, who yesterday named the player in his squad for Scotland's opening World Cup qualifier, against Austria in Vienna on August 31, the concerted persuasion was hardly necessary. Llansantffraid's dream is over

THE part-timers of Llansant-

ffraid, a team made up of

students, plumbers and

labourers, were unable to

emulate Barry, their League

of Wales compatriots, as they

crashed out of the European

Cup Winners' Cup in Chorzow, Poland, yesterday.

The village team from Mid

Wales had been encouraged

by Barry's Uefa Cup triumph

over Vasutas, of Budapest, on

Tuesday, but they lost 5-0 to

Ruch Chorzow, going out 6-1

on aggregate to a club that

Brown has spent years waiting for the moment when all the injuries and disciplinary problems would abate, leaving Ferguson as the seasoned figure who is both available to play and worthy of trust. In the interests of accuracy. Brown is prone to reminding enquirers that the player has so far achieved virtually nothing in his career.

The groin injury that required Ferguson to undergo another operation this summer, and forced him to miss the European hampionship finals, means that he still has five caps and no goals for Scotland, with the last appearance having been made in December, 1994. Yesterday. though, Brown did not have the heart to preach scepticism.

After watching Ferguson's performance in the 2-2 draw, he had, in company with car park attendants, club direc-

has won the Polish champion-

Liansantffraid were a goal

down after 30 seconds and

never recovered. Dariusz

Gazior set up the early strike.

sending Arkadiusz Bak

The Llansantffraid players,

who were awakened at 6am

by the sound of scaffolding

being erected outside their

hotel, defended stoutly, but

could not keep the home side

minutes after the

ship 14 times.

through to score.

SQUAD

T Boyd (Celtic), C Burley (Chelsea), C Calderwood (Tottenham Hotspur), J Colins (AS Monaco), G Durle (Rangers), D Ferguson (Everion), K Gellander (Blackburn Rovers), S Germill (Nottingham Forest), A Goram (Rangers), C Heindry (Blackburn Rovers), D Jackson (Hibernan), E Jassa (Coventry Cry), J Lalghton (Hibernan), E Jassa (Coventry Cry), J Lalghton (Hibernan), E McAllister (Coventry Cry), McCall (Rangers), A McCole (Rangers), T McKintey (Celtic), W McKintey (Blackburn Rovers), J McNamara (Celtic), J Spencer (Chelsea), N Walter (Aberdeen), D Whyte (Middlesbrough)

tors and people who just pay to attend football matches. been far too excited for that. 'He scored two good goals,' Brown said. "His all-round play was excellent and he led the line magnificently with every lay-off finding a team-

"Ferguson didn't lose a single header that he could have been expected to win and he was fit enough to go back and help out in defence. After all

stunned by another blow

when Arwel Jones put

through his own goal. Bak hit

the target again after 55 minutes before his namesake,

Miroslaw Bak, scored in the

Nevertheless, the under-

dogs might have had some

consolation ten minutes from

time when Adrian Jones was

pulled down in the penalty

area, only for Andrew Ed-

wards to see his firmly-struck

penalty kick saved.

62nd and 63rd minutes.

the injuries, it's as if we've got a new player." Of course, there is always the glum suspicion that Ferguson will, for some reason, withdraw from the squad.

At the start of a fresh season, though, it is a little easier to keep such brooding thoughts at bay and Brown prefers to reflect on Ferguson's potential to enhance the team. With just one goal at Euro 96, it was the lack of precisely the kind of impact the Everton forward promises that led to Scotland being eliminated at the group

Ferguson was the subject of much discussion because the composition of the squad held little other potential as a topic of conversation, although Brown has exercised his right to call up John Collins, of AS Monaco, and so force him to miss his club's match with Cannes next Wednesday.

Of the party taken to the European championship, only two men have been replaced. with Ferguson and Jackie McNamara, of Celtic, coming in for the injured Aberdeen pair, Scott Booth and Stewart McKimmie.

With Ally McCoist having already scored eight goals for Rangers this season, including a hat-trick against Alania Vladikavkaz in the uncanny 7-2 European Cup victory in Russia on Wednesday, the prospect of his partnership with Ferguson makes it possible, for once, to discuss the Scotland attack without any need for doleful tones.

SHEEHAN on BRIDGE

BY ROBERT SHEEHAN, BRIDGE CORRESPONDENT

The next two Refreshers are on the vexed topic of hesitation. It's a subject on which many people have strong but frequently erroneous views. I have misgivings about writing about it, for the same reasons that A.J.P. Taylor decided not to write on the history of Israel - he couldn't bear the thought of answering all those letters. In an ideal world all players

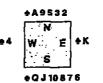
would make every bid and play every card at the same speed. In practice that's not possible, and players of all classes have to stop and consider their plays from time to time. These are the four fundamental points about such

(I) It is not against the rules to pause if you have a genuine problem.

(2) It is against the rules to pause merely to confuse the opposition, or to influence your partner. (3) It is wrong for a player to use information gained from

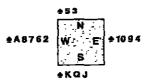
his partner's hesitation. (4) It is quite in order for the opposition to take advantage of a hesitation, using it to make deductions about the hesitator's hand. The commonest occurrence

of violation under point (2) is the defender who hesitates with a singleton:



hesitates, declarer is entitled to take the view that West was considering covering from K4.

These strictures also apply to the declarer. If he has holding from which the play is automatic, he must play in tempo. For example:



West leads the six against a

no-trump contract, and East plays the nine. It is quite wrong for South to consider the matter and then play the queen; this may give West the impression that East has J109. If the six was the opening lead, declarer is allowed to consider the play from dummy at trick one, as he is making a plan about the whole hand. During that period of thought he should also decide which card he is going to play from hand on the first round of the suit.

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Another hesitation crime:

When South leads low to the nine, it is unethical of East to think before winning the trick. That would imply he was considering ducking, and therefore did not hold both honours. He should have decided earlier whether he was going to win with a true card (the queen) or a false card (the king).

☐ Robert Sheehan writes on bridge Monday to Friday in Sport and in the Weekend section on Saturday.

football, but maybe football is finished with me."

KEENE on CHESS

Rxe7

By RAYMOND KEENE CHESS CORRESPONDENT

World challenge

Anatoly Karpov, the Russian veteran, is to challenge the rest of the world in an historic virtual chess match on the internet next Monday. After every move by Karpov, Internet users will have ten minutes to enter moves against him. A server will select the most frequently proposed move and execute it. The Internet site is

http://www.tele.fi/karpov and play will begin at Ham BST. Prodigious play

The 12-year-old prodigy Luke McShane made a fine score in the British Championship at Nottingham. His play has improved by leaps and bounds over the past year and a notable feature of his current style is his increased selfassurance and resilience. Indeed, his results at this age compare most favourably with those of Nigel Short in

the same period of his career. in this game from the recently concluded British Championship, McShane, playing Black, conducts a Sicilian Defence to victory in mature manner. White: Chris Duncan

Black: Luke McShane British Championship, Nottingham, 1996

Sicilian Defence e4 Nf3 4 Oxd4 5 Bb5 **c4** 8 Nc3 10 Od3 11 Nd4

Foxtrot international Scores after six rounds of the Veterans v Women Foxtrot International in London are as

follows:

Diagram of final position

VETERANS: Portisch and Smyslov 4; Hort 3%; Spassky and Taimanov 2%. WOMEN: Cramling 4; Arakhamia 3½; Xie 2½, losekani 2; Zsofia Polgar 1½

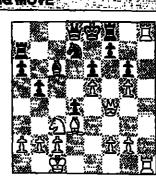
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WINNING HOVE

By Raymond Keene

White to play. This position is from the game Seidman — Mrazek, Prague 1936. How did White make the most of his active rooks to force a

Solution on page 46



TODAY'S FIXTURES

at bay.

CRICKET Third Combill Test match 11.0, second day of five, 90 overs THE OVAL: England v Pakistan Britannic Assurance 11.0, second day of four, 104 over

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Hampshire NORTHAMPTON: Northamptonshire v Sussex TRENT BRIDGE: Nottinghamshire v Surrey WORCESTER: Worceslershire v Warsickshire HEADINGLEY: Yorkshire v Lancashire

11 0, med day of four, 104 overs manmum WESTON-SUPER-MARE: Somerset v Durham V LIUMBER-19 TEST MATCH: Hove (second day of four) England v New

RUGBY UNION CLUB MATCHES: Gloucesier v Pontypnod (7.30); Metrose v Newcestie (6.30).

FOOTBALL Krck-off 7,30 unless stated * denotes all-licket Nationwide League First division Bell's Scottish League Third division

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Chenecks: Sharmbrook v Ramsey.
Whitworths v Higham **RUGBY LEAGUE**

Second division York v Bramley (7.30)

OTHER SPORT CYCLING: International track meeting (Herns Hill, 6 30) (Heme Hill, 6 30)
GOLF: British women's amateur strokeplay championship (at Conwy).
SPEEDWAY: Premier League: Oxford v Reading (7 30). Speedway Star Cup: Quarter-finel, second leg: Belle Vue v Wolverhampion (7 30), Peterborough v London (7 30) Conference League: Arena Essex v Swindon (8 0)

Champions lose out ANDREW WILLS. Simon Lilley playing Cheltenham's

BOWLS

Jones and Tony Allcock, of Cheltenham, the title-holders. were knocked out of the English Bowling Association triples championship at Allan writes).

Dave Broadhurst, Simon Lilley and Phil Cooke, of the Royal Mail Cart Club. Spalding, won their second-round match 16-14, scoring five shots on the last end for a victory they will not forget for a long while.

Going into the decider 14-11

down, the Lincolnshire side

got woods in the head, with

Broadhurst trailing the jack.

second shot out of contention for three and Cooke nutting another on top of the jack. Allcock, trying to draw his way out of trouble, prodded in Worthing yesterday (Gordon a lifth opposition bowl and ran past with his final attempt to save the situation. Allcock, the world singles

champion, returns next week for the pairs and singles. Another member of England's world championships team, Brett Morley, of GPT, Nottingham, skipped his triples partners to two impressive wins, 35-6 over Stratford upon Avon and 20-13 over Broadway (Worcestershire).

When the deciarer (South) leads the queen, it is unethical for West to hesitate before playing the four. If West

WORD-WATCHING

TARBET

a. A Turkish hat b. A neck of land ∟ A fish

ULTION a. Forgiveness b. Pride

c. Revenge

By Philip Howard **URAEUS**

a. Of urine b, Hot flushes c. Model of an asp TANTADLIN a, A round tart

> b. A nincompoor c. A medieval coin Answers on page 46

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quick win?

FOOTBALL: ENGLAND MANAGER REVEALS ALL AND NOTHING TO EXPECTANT PRESS CONFERENCE

Hoddle sets out across the minefield

ANDREW LONGMORE



on the new man at England's helm

🔰 lenn Hoddle mea sured his words with sured his works the precision of his trademark long pass. "Yes and no." he said. The question was about Le Tissier and his resemblance to Hoddle. You know the sort of thing, gifted but idle. Hoddle knew the

minefield he was treading.

Give too much and Tissier will be pasted to his masthead forever; give too little and the negativity might be set in stone. Yes, Hoddle said, he had always been a fan of Le Tissier's, no he was not guaranteeing a place in the squad. He just wanted to see how Le Tissier's mind works and he could only do that by bringing him into the squad Everyone seemed happy.

Nobody will need to tell Hoddle, pristine in his grey check suit and smart rie, that two jobs come with the territory of national team manager. One is to win football matches: the other is to explain himself to the press. The first will dictate the second, as Terry Venables and Graham Taylor, his predecessors, proved in their different ways.

One of Hoddle's concerns when he accepted what Taylor called the "impossible job" was his handling of the press. not a task that comes naturally to him. Euro 96 will have eased his fears. The job looks possible again. Even honourable defeat is acceptable, provided everyone can sing along with Skinner and Baddiel in the knowledge that their team will not disgrace themselves.

How long the honeymoon will last depends on what nannens next With a nice touch of irony. Hoddle's first game, for that matter? His is difficult to pinpoint — the Tissier, Venables's bete noire,



Hoddle and John Gorman, his assistant, right, unveil their first England squad yesterday. Photograph: Simon Walker

press conference in Kishinev, where England play their opening World Cup qualifying match on September I. is scheduled for Friendship Hall, not necessarily the obvious venue for a meeting of manager and press.

Hoddle, at least, starts with an advantage. Unlike Venables, there are no factions, no prejudice or bias, no stories to tell or axes to grind. That is partly down to Hoddle, who kept himself to himself as a player and is likely to do so again as England manager.

No one in the press can truly say they know Hoddle well. many people in the

TONIGHT AT 8. HOW REAL DO YOU WANT IT?

mind is independent, his thoughts will be shared with everyone or no one. There will be no cosy dinners for favoured courtiers, no taking of sides or pushing of angles. Everyone will be treated the same, at arm's length. But there is some other quality to Hoddle that marks him out from his predecessors. Space,

you could call it. Hoddle played so much of his football in a little bubble of space, it seemed defenders were frightened of invading it, as if they would be violating something unknown and precious. Hoddle has maintained loofness as a manager. It

ISLAND OF THE DRAGONS.

inflection of the voice, the slight unintended arrogance, a flick of an eyebrow that says "look, I know what I'm doing and you don't" and which is as effective an antidote to inquisitors as the more abrasive "and who the hell are you?" approach of Alex Ferguson.

There was not much need for the putdown yesterday when Hoddle unveiled his first England squad, but the distance was apparent, the little bubble visible. A sidestep here. a shimmy there and, hev presto, empty space. A doff of the cap to the previous regime. but enough new cloth to st a different tailor. Le

and David Beckham in, both Hoddle imitators in their way, both stamped with designer labels. And then Batty, most decidedly off the peg, another Venables cast-off, but equally fashioned by Hoddle, the sort of snappy little player who had no respect for space.

It was no more than a gentle warm-up. Only time and defeat will tell what sort of defence mechanism Hoddle has. He has a feel for unionspeak - "at the end of the day", "at this moment in time". He has not yet been tested. Perhaps he never will be. The balance may have

Hoddle needs to succeed to

satisfy his pride, not to pay the mortgage. If his pride is hurt too badly, his life rearranged, his priorities threatened, he has the means to say "thank you" and go elsewhere. Out of football, if necessary

With a touch of luck and good judgment, it will not come down to that. Hoddle might well prove a tougher manager than player, thickskinned enough to stay in the kitchen when the heat is on. It will not have escaped his notice, though, that the room next to his first press conference was occupied by the Nationwide Fire Services.

Dalglish's farewell, page 45

PARALYMPIC GAMES

British hope rides on dressage appeal

GREAT BRITAIN edged up one place in the overall medals table in Atlanta after an impressive 24 hours that brought the team a further eight gold medals. Once a dispute over the results of the equestrianism competition has been resolved, there may be another gold to add to the tally. Britain is in third place behind Australia and the United States.

There were high hopes for a handful of medals at the equestrianism competition, a dressage event held in two stages. Unlike at the Olympic Games, the riders only see the horse that they have been allocated as the first event starts. Regardless of this not inconsiderable disadvantage, the British team, led by Jo Jackson, was still in a strong position.

Jackson, a student from Cullompton, Devon, began the medal collection by taking the gold in the Grade IV individual test, beating her team-mate, Patricia Straughan, into the silver-medal position. Liz Stone won a second silver in the Grade III event. Dianne Tubbs rounded things off with a bronze in the Grade I, her success helping to claim the overall team silver

However, a protest was then

lodged at the Germany team's results. The mount allotted to one of their team members came down with colic before the competition started and was replaced with another horse from a local stud. The protest alleged that the horse had already been ridden in the dressage and was therefore more experienced than the other horses. If the judges decide against Germany, Tubbs will win the Grade I individual silver, giving Britain the team gold.

On the athletics track, the medals were more clear-cut. gold, taking the T37 200 metres title to add to his 100 metres and 400 metres gold

There were three more victories in the pool, including Sarah Bailey's gold in the SIO 100 metres backstroke and Chris Holmes's win in the B2

WORD-WATCHING

(b) A neck of land, an isthmus; hence a portage between two lochs or navigable channels. Also, a proper name of villages so situated. From the Gaelic lairbeart a peninsula or isthmus. "Advantage was taken of the conformation of the land to form a

(c) Vengeance, revenge, avengement. From the Latin ultio, ultion, noun of action from the stem of ulcisci to avenge. "To do good for cvil [is] a soft and melting ultion, a method taught from Heaven to keep all smooth on Earth."

(c) A representation of the sacred asp, snake, or serpent, or of its head and neck, employed as an emblem of supreme power, sometimes as worn on the head-dress of ancient Egyptian

divinities and sovereigns. A modern Latinisation of the Greek ourdios, given by Horapollo as the Egyptian name for the cobraperhaps influenced in form by the Greek ourdios, ourd a tail. "I will stake the sacred circlet upon my brow against the Royal uraeus on thine." **TANTADLIN** (a) A tart or round piece of pastry. East Anglian dialect, also used attributively. "Horace Walpole (who, by the way, seems to have been a tandtadling old eaves-dropper) has recorded that he [Addlson] died drunk with brandy."

SOLUTION TO WINNING CHESS MOVE 1 Qxf7+! Kxf7 2 Rth7+ Ke8 3 Bxg6 mate

RADIO CHOICE

Sweet secret of success

Over the Counter. Radio 4, 12.25pm.

Take my word for it, there's been no more mouth-watering programme on Radio 4 this week. Meg Rivers makes cakes, serves them in her teashop in Middle Tysoe. Warwickshire, and mails the them in her teashop in Middle Tysoe, Warwickshire, and mails the rest to customers here, there, and everywhere. Thirty varieties of cakes she bakes. Everything from Sailing Cake — made with rum and with a hole in the middle to make easier cutting and stop crumbs cascading into the hilges — to Cricket Cake, which, for some cuscading into the hilges — to Cricket Cake, which, for some cuscading into the hilges — to Cricket Cake, which, for some cuscading into the hilges — to Cricket Cake, which, for some cascading into the hilges — to Cricket Cake, which, for some cuscading into the hilges — to Cricket Cake, which, for some cuscading into the hilges — to Cricket Cake, which, for some cascading into the hilges — to Cricket Cake, which, for some cuscading into the hilges — to Cricket Cake, which, for some cuscading into the hilles — to Cricket Cake, which, for some cascading into

Survivors: Mala's Story. Radio 4 (FM), 10.00am.

In dramatic contrast with his earlier programmes, John Man's latest case history is not about physical survival but the survival of personality. "I wondered," says Mala, Kenya-born daughter of Indian parents, "whether I existed". Aged three, she developed a nasal tumour. Instead of a nose, there was a scarred crater. It not only changed her face but redefined her relationship with everyone round her. Thirty operations in Kenya and 15 in Britain did nothing round her. Thirty operations in Kenya and 15 in Britain did nothing to reverse what she calls her "differentness". Remarkably, this highly intelligent woman does not utter one bitter word.

Peter Davalle

FM Stereo 6.30am Dave Pearce 9.00 Simon Mayo 11.30 Radio 1 Roadshow, iive from Tenby 12.30pm Lisa l'Anson 2.00 Nicky Campbell 4.00 Clive Warren 7.00 Essential Selection, with Pete Tong 10.00 One in the Jungle 12.00 Radio 1 Rap Show 3.00am Annie Nightingele 5.00 Charle, Jordan 5.00 Charlie Jordan

PM Stereo. 6.00am Sarah Kennedy 7.30 Walte Up to Wogan 9.30 Ken Bruca 11.30 Jimmy Young 1.30pm Debble Thrower 3.00 Ed Stewart 5.05 John Dunn 7.00 The Comedy Ouiz 7.30 Finday Night is Music Night. From the Hippodrome in Golders Green With the BBC Concept Orchestra under Martin BBC Concert Orchestra under Martin Yales 8.46 Every Uving Thing 9.00 Listen to the Band 19.00 Worcester Three Choirs Festival. Radio 2 Arts Programme 12.05am Sue McGamy

RADIO 5 LIVE

5.00am Morning Reports 6.00 The Breakfast Programme 8.35 The Magazine 12.00 Midday with Mair, incl 12.35pm Moneycheck 2.05 Ruscoe on Five 4.00 Nationwide, mid at 5.45 Entertainment News 7.00 News Extra, with Valene Sanderson 7.20 Friday Sport, with Peter Drury Footbalt coverage of Programouth v OPP: Athletics: the sport, with reter brusy rooteas, cover-age of Prorismouth v OPR; Athletics: the Brussels Grand Pro; Cricket day two of the third Test between England and Palastan, Motor racing: news from the practice sessions for the Belgian Grand Prix 10.05 Paper Talk 11.00 Night Extra 12.06cm After How 2.05 Lin & Night 12.05am After Hours 2.05 Up Ali Night,

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CLASSIC FM

4.Q0am Mark Griffiths 6.00 Mike Read 9.00 Nick Bailey 12.00 Susannah Simons 2.00pm Lunchtime Concerto senuris zeutopia Lunciamie Concerto Rachmaninov (Piano Concerto No 1 in F sharp minor) 3.00 Jamie Crick. 6.00 Classic Newsnight 6.30 Sonata 7.00 Showcase 8.00 Evening Concert Tchalousty (Suite: The Sleeping Beauty); Brahms (Piano Concerto No 2 in B flat); Mentielssphin (Sumbons No 4 in A 1). Mendelssohn (Symphony No 4 In A) 10.00 Michael Mappin, Including at 11.00 Finday Live 1.00em Mel Cooper

VIRGIN RADIO

6.00am Russ 'n' Jono's Breaklas 5.00am Huss n Joho's breakdast Experience 9.00 Richard Skirner 12.00 Graham Dene 4.00pm Nicky Horne 7.00 Paul Coyte (FM) / (AM) Robin Banks 1,000 Alan Freeman 12.00 Janey Lee Grace 2.00am Howard Pearce

Festival. Sir John Drummond introduces his final selection of recordings taken from the

(Motet: Beatus vir); Liszt Petrarch Sonnet No 104. (Petratori Sofrias 104, Années de pélénnage); Haydn (Caritata: Ariama à Naxos); Sibelius (Violin Concerto); Berg (Piano

Sonata, Op 1) (4/4) 5.00 The Music Machine, with

6.00am On Air. Presented by Penny Gore Includes Suk 3.00 Mining the Archive: Edinburgh Internation (Praga); Gneg (Cello Sonata, Op 36); Handel (Scipione, cerats): Schubert (8 Variations on a French Song, D624); Linley (Concerto in F); Roussel (Divertissement, Op

Paul Gambaccini, Includes Mussorgsky (Introduction; Polsky, Bons Godunov); Chopin (Plano Sonala in B minor, Op 58), Harty (Ode to

Introduced by Piers Burton-Page. Includes Ketelbey (Bells across the Meadows); Schubert (String Trio in B flat, D581) 10.28 Proms Artist of the Week: Anne-Sophie Mutter, violin. Stravnsky (Violin Concerto) 10.50 Bach / Busoni (Checonne in D minor): Finci (A Severn Suite) 11.42 Trad / Playford (A Scots

Rent: A Trip to Kilburn):
Sibelius (Serenada No 2)
12.00 Composer of the Week:
Afban Berg
1.00pm News; Bristol Lunchtin
Concert: Bartok Plus. Songs and instrumental music from 16th-century Hungary. Catherine King. mezzo, Jacob Herngman and Jessica Gordon, lutes, and Susanna Pell, bass viol.

Susanna Mell, bass vol.
perform music by Bakfark,
Tinodi and Bartok (r)

2.00 Music Restored, Introduced
by Graham Divon. Tavemer
Consort and Players under
Andrew Parrott. Includes
Palecituma (Missa ecce ego
Joannes: Motet: Domine
Deiral (r)

Luke Cresswell 5.15 In Tune, Includes J.C. Bach (Overture: La calamita de current Givndebourne production of Berg's Luiu, performed at the Albert Hall in

London, With Christine Schafer, soprano, Kathryn Harris, mezzo, David Keubler, tenor, Wolfgang Schone, bartone, Norman Bailey, bass the London. partione, Norman Basley, bass, the London Philharmonic, under Andrew Davis, Act 1 7.30 Interval Michael Berveley talks to Philip Herisher and Thomas Ades (r) 7.50 Act 2 8.50 Interval Martin Essin talks to

Frank Whitford 9.10 Act 3 10.30 Reading Keats. A S Byatt reflects on Ode to a Grecian *Um (5/5) (r)* 10.45 Hear and Now, Mieko Kanno, violin, Cambridge New Music Players, under

Paul Hoskins Dillon (Vernal Showers) Music Projects London, under Richard Bernas Dillon (Überschreiter 12.00 Composer of the Week: Beethoven (r) 1.00am Through the Night

changing lines and Britain's most obsessive bamboo

Mormanton reports on two all-male households — a gay family and a raucous student

7.00 News 7.05 The Archers 7.20 Pick of the Week, presented

by Chris Serie

8.05 In the Dock: Lawyers With

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9.15 Letter from America, by Akstar Cooke 9.30 Kaleidoscope Feature. An expicration of the artist's studio (f) 9.59 Weather 10.00 The World Tonight, with Robin Lusting 10.45 Book at Bedtime; Washington Sevent/10/10

Washington Square(10/10)
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Sue Cameron (5/6) 8.50 Home Rules, Kiro

5.55 Test Match Special (LW) 6.00 Sht O'Clock News (FM) 6.30 Parkes and Gardens (FM) Simon Parkes visits Wylde Court and discovers sex-

5.55am Shipping Forecast (LW only) 6.00 News Briefing incl only 6.00 News Brehing incl
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7.45 Thought for the Day
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(5/5) 8.55 Weather
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Previn (r)
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10.00 An Act of Worship (LW)
10.15 On This Day (LW)
10.30 Woman's Hour
10.50 Test Match Special:
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the Oval
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presented by Nick Clarke
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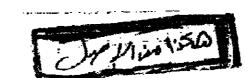
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11.25 Fourth Column. The last of the present series, with guests Christopher Matthew and Times columnist Lyrine

11.45 The Big Umbrella. Professor Elaine Pagels explains why the thinks that the Devil onginated as a propaganda weapon (4/5) 12.00 News Incl 12.27am approx

12.30 The Late Book: Slaughterhouse-Five (5/10) (r) 12.48 Shipping 1.00 As World Service

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Plane truth about industrial espionage

hortly after 9pm, a strange summer ritual can be observed in the pub gardens and leafy patios of west London. Conversation ceases, the skies darken and a low menacing roar approaches from the east. It is Concorde time again.

You would think that after nearly 30 years we might have got used to it - but no. Most still stand and gawp, a few stick their fingers in their ears in protest and there is nearly always one who jumps to attention, raises a half-empty glass in salute and mutters something cringe-making about being proud to be British. Conversation does not resume until the same individ-ual has completed a loud bout of nose-blowing. "Damn haylever." he says, dabbing at watery eyes.

We, of course, know bener and the reason we know better is that deep down, a small part of us silently agrees. Thirty years on and the fascination for Concorde

the makers of last night's excellent Secret History: Konkordski (Channel 4) skilfully exploited.

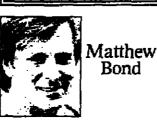
This, as it didn't take many prizes for guessing, was the story of the Soviet rival to Concorde the Tupolev 144 to its proud designers. Konkordski to the Western media. It crashed at the 1973 Paris Air Show, killing 14 people and leaving the skies clear for its Angle-French rival. Before the programme, that was pretty much the sum total of my knowledge. Now, however, I know a lot

more, thanks to Tim Shawcross's gripping account of espionage and political intrigue that was part history lesson, part Cold War spy thriller. We learnt two principal things. First, that the reason Konkordski looked so like its Western rival was that the Soviet Union had stolen an entire set of technical blueprints for Concorde, smuggling them out of France on hidden a joy to behold.

of aviation, Raymond Baxter, put it: "It was one of the most classic examples of industrial espionage in modern aviation.

That we learnt second was about the crash. While the TU144 went though its paces above Paris, unbeknown to its pilot it was being shadowed from above by a Mirage jet equipped with a spy camera, Only when the Russian plane climbed steeply did its crew discover that not only were they not alone but there was an imminent chance of collision. The required evasive action stalled the engines and pulling out of the emergency dive needed to restart them caused the break-up of the plane. The onscreen discomfort of Jean Forestier, the president of the official inquiry which had come to a rather different conclusion, was

REVIEW



Why the inquiry had reached its conclusion (an unlikely-sounding scenario involving a dropped camera getting jammed under the control column) was also dealt with, although here we entered the realms of speculation, albeit the highly plausible variety. The Russians were embarrassed about their plane's structural failure (Concorde would apparently have held together under similar stress-

es) while the French were appalled that their spying mission had indirectly led to the death of eight of their own citizens. The result, Shawcross alleged, was collusion and cover-up.

That should have been that, but fate has provided the perfect postscript to last night's fascinating tale. Nearly 20 years after the TU-144 fleet was mothballed, the plane is about to fly again. When it takes off again in a few months' time, it will be filled with American electronics, having been converted into a flying laboratory to further joint research by America and Russia into the next generation of supersonic passenger planes. Now there's something to ponder dur-

ing your next Concorde moment. Whether Peckham's best-known lollipop-man returned from his Caribbean cruise by Concorde was not altogether clear in the opening episode of a new series of Porkpie (Channel 4). Certainly he had the £10 million on the lottery), he even had the matching leather suitcases There's nothing in them, I just like the cases") but I'm still not sure that Porkpie (Ram John Holder) is a Concorde kinda guy.

fter all, all he has done so A far with his money is to buy a new house in Peckham Cyou can take the man out of Peckham" eteeteral, a new Ford Esport for his driver and comic sidekick Benji (Derek Griffiths) and to employ Leone (Llewella Gideon), a maid with attitude. No. on reflection I think you'd probably find Porkpie partying at the back of a crowded jumbo, rather than sipping at supersonic champagne.

From the earliest days of Desmond's, it was clear that Porkpie marched to a different beat from the rest of us and his own series has been constructed very much in march as meander, defying most of the conventions of sit-com land. Some storylines peter out with-

out warning, although having said that, I am sure Michael and Mandy's attempts to conceive will peter back in again in due course. Others — including last night's threatened paternity suit - are resolved in ways that make no sense at all, other than the fact that the advertisements are about to arrive. Still, it's all gently enjoyable and the musical traffic jam

was a genuine hoot.

Noting the resemblance to Animal Hospital and umpteen other vet programmes. I tetchily scrib-bled "bankruptcy of creative ideas" and prepared not to enjoy Back to the Wild (BBCI) one bit. Thirty tearful minutes later, as the little blind fox was put "quietly to sleep". I crossed it out and shamefacedly wrote "bankruptey of critical ideas". What a lovely programme.

6.00am Business Breakfast (66859) 7.00 BBC Breakfast News (Ceeta.) (20217) 9.00 Breakfast News Extra (2605033) 9.20 Do You Want a Smack? (4,7)(7220304)

9.50 Gourmet (reland (s) (5664304) 10.20 Burke's Backyard (r) (7844656) 10.50 News and Weather (Ceelas) (5900878)

10.55 Cricket - Third Test. Coverage of the second day's play in the final Test match of the summer (s) (5864217) 12.00 News and Weather (Ceefax) (1356120)

12.05pm The Alphabet Game (s) (4526323) 12.35 Neighbours (Ceetax) (s) (6364526) 1.00 News and Weather (Ceetax) (23304)

1.30 Regional News (45631014) 1.35 Cricket -- Third Test. Further coverage from the Oval (73713897)

5.35 Neighbours. The secret Valentine sender is revealed (r) (Ceetax) (s) (509410)

6.00 News and Weather (Ceetax) (410) 6.30 Regional news magazines (762) 7.00 Top of the Pops (Ceefax) (s) (7323)

7.30 Future Fantastic: Under a Purple Sky. According to Japan's National Aerospace Laboratory. in 20 years millions of people will be enjoying holidays in space (Ceefax) (s)

8.00 Keeping Up Appearances. Richard forgets his wedding anniversary but saves the day by alarming Hyacinth (r) (Ceefax) (s) (3743)

8.30 Safe and Sound: The Fugitive. Dougle tries to win a piece of Eleanor's heart by giving her an adorable little dog, but little does he realise the dog may spell considerable trouble for him (s) (2878) 9.00 Nine O'Clock News; Regional News;

9.30 One Foot in the Grave. Victor has spent his 61st birthday wheeling a total stranger around a garden centre. But never mind, he and Margaret are due to fly to Athens for a holiday. With Richard Wilson and 10.00 Chicago Hope: Full Moon. Shutt and Birch are taken aback when they realise that Geiger has converted his office into a

showcase for toy trains; Hancock performs a tricky operation. (Ceetax) (s) 10.45 Atletico Partick. Is there too much violence in the cinema? There is when Atletico Partick meet Sporting Club of

Gartcosh in the fover (Ceetax) (s) 11.15 Parkinson: The Interviews - Dustin Hoffman. A rare insight into one of Hollywood's most private and intriguing stars (Ceelax) (s) (556168)

11.55 FILM: Little Big Man (1970). See Films of the Week, inside the front cover. The 121-year-old Jack Crabb tells the remarkable story of his time as pioneer. Cheyenne brave, gunlighter, conman and witness at Custer's last stand. With Dustin Hoffman, Faye Dunaway. Martin Balsam, Richard Mulligan, Chief Dan George and Jeff Corey, Directed by Arthur Penn (Ceetax) (82289656)

2.10am-2.15 Weather (1918618)

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6.00am Open University: Brology (3475762) 6.25 Richard II — Character of a King (3494897) 6.50 Manlegna (2362255) 7.15 See Hear Breakfast News

(Ceelax) (6710878) 7.30 Secret Life of Toys (8660043) 7.45 Lassie (1542439) 8.10 The Smurts (5146762) 8.35 Bouncing Back (8638205) 9.05 Spiderman (2600946) 9.25 Smart (7236965) 9.50 Puppydog Tales (2927920) Tales (3827830)

10.00 Playdays (7864410) 10.25 Man in a Suffcase (2536830) 11.15 The Addams Family (8274946) 11.40 The Pink

Panther Show (7424679) 12.00 Cricket — Third Test (s) (28762)

1.00pm Secret Life of Toys (45673965) 1.15 Open View (24604410) 1.20 A-Z of Food (24692675) 1.30 A Week to Remember (42646217) 1.40 The Oprah Winfrey Show (Cee(ax) (8723323) 2.20 Crawshaw Paints in Olfs (87096588) 2.45 Understanding Cats (4146052) 3.00 News (1442878) 3.05 The Natural World (1506101) 3.55 News (3027149)

4.00 Cartoon (5276236) 4.05 To Me...to You (3036897) 4.30 Pirates (859) 5.00 Newsround (4386453) 5.10 Record Breakers (r) (Ceefax) (4072743)

5.35 Cricket - Third Test. Further coverage of the final test malch (9516192)

6.45 Paralympics. Helen Rollason introduces action from the Games in Atlanta, including the men's wheelchair basketball semi-finals and finals in volleyball, cycling and archery. Plus swimming and athletics (s) (588138)

7.30 Edinburgh Nights. News and reports from the 50th Edinburgh Festival (588)

8.00 War Walks: Arras. Military historian Richard Holmes follows in the tootsteps of the German blizzkrieg of 1940 (Ceetax) (s) (1385) 8.30 Gardeners' World, Alan Titchmarsh presents the programme from his garden in Hamoshire (s) (3120)

9.00 Bottom. Richie and Eddie prepare for their holiday (r) (Ceefax) (s)(4830) 9.30 Pulp Video. The last-moving comedy sketch show from Scotland (29491)



Vaughan seeks vengeance (10pm)

10.00 The Fall Guy: The Photo-grapher and the Magician. Johnny Vaughan introduces a new series in which the multitalented Danny Brown takes up the challenge to give practical jokers a taste of their own medicine (Ceetax) (s) (89385) Followed by Video

10.30 Newsnight (Ceefax) (680439) 11.15 Cricket Highlights (s) (265304)

12.00 FILM: Une Histoire Inventée (1990) Comedy-drama about jealousy and desire in French with English subtitles Directed by André Forcier (732521) Ends

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Future Fantastic: Under a Purple Sky BBC17.30mm

Gillian Anderson's penultimate starry-eyed programme was obviously made before the discovery of the Martian fossil. It assumes that with a temperature of 70 degrees below zero and no atmosphere. Mars cannot support life. But that's fine because Nasa boffin Christopher McKay is into "terraforming" the red planet — making its climate similar to Earth's so that human beings could settle there and reproduce. Terralorming, he says, could begin by late next century. If you can't wait that long for your giant leap you might like to know that just 20 years hence there will be holiday cruises orbiting earth at around 18,000km an hour — according to the National Aerospace Laboratory of Japan. Meanwhile there's the Artemis Project, dedicated to establishing the first permanent Moon base, complete with hotels, farms and shops.

Filthy Rich: An Honorary Scot Channel 4, 8.00pm

To the music of Jack Buchanan wafting across the loch, the controversial Keith Schellenberg reminisces about the good old days — while defending his own kind of alleged feudalism as former owner of the island of Eigg. He denies being a millionaire and waving regally at the stately pile on his newly-acquired estate on Kintyre peninsula says: "I'm a minority shareholder, don't even n the house." His family obviously thinks he's a grand character — and roaring through the heather in his vintage Rolls, he clearly is. Land reformist Alastair McIntosh thinks otherwise, crossing swords with him over land ownership, tenants' rights, even the morality of the Highland Clearances. He argues as only a true Scot can against a Sassenach, but undeterred, our kilted hero goes on to open the Campbelltown Games as their "Chieftain".

War Walks: Arras BBC2, 8.00pm (not Northern Ireland)

In the northern French town of Sedan, which has the biggest medieval castle in Europe, a sad Richard Holmes recalls how in 1940 German Panzer divisions smashed its concrete bunkers with powerful 88mm guns and burst into a small bunker garrisoned by ten over-aged reservists. This pathetic little Dads' Army was then taken out and shot. Then, still following the Panzer route, Holmes describes one of the most bizarre battles of the last war: the head-on clash between the Germans and the Spahis - the French North African cavalry who fought brilliantly with sabres and carbines but were, of course, mown down by machine guns. "Ten years on their sons would be fighting for their independence against France, says Holmes. The Allied response Arras - so successful (at first) that Romme himself had to take command to stop a rout.

The Fall Guy BBC2, 10.00pm

There's a good idea buried in this new series somewhere and the producers should not somewhere and the producers should not underestimate the potential of their "fall guy". Danny Brown. He plays a kind of avenging angel, getting even with "enemies" on behalf of members of the studio audience. In the line of duty, and following instructions given by host Johnny Vaughan through a hidden earpiece, he sets up a ludicrous photo session to humiliate a footballer, and plays magic tricks as The Great Eldorado to humiliate an unsuspecting restaurant guest. It's classic Silly Season, fodder but keep an eye on the unsmiling, doltish Danny, who gets everything wrong, even when he's being advised by professionals. Elizabeth Cowley 6.00am GMTV (4709120) 9.25 Halfway Across the Galaxy and Turn Left (1) (Teletext) (S) (7323491) 9.50 Hope and

Gloria (5652472) 10.20 ITN News (Telefert) (5975830) 10.25 Regional News (Teletest) (5974101)

10.30 FILM: Return to the Blue Lagoon (1991). An orohaded toddler is resouled from his idyllic isle by a widow and her small daughter Directed by William A Graham (40315472) 12.20pm

Regional News (1352304) 12.30 ITN News and weather (6350323)

12.55 Sixth Sense (6335014) 1.25 Liz Earle's Lifestyle (6192014) 2.00 Home and Away (87003878) 2.25 Murder, She Wrote (4986586) 3.20 ITN News (1498168) 3.25 Regional News

3.30 Rosie and Jim (s) (8562615) 3.40 Tuba Tears (s) (2962471) 3.55 Zzzap! (r) (s) (7574149) 4.15 Captain Simian and the Space Monkeys (2774588) 4.40 My Favourite Art Attack (1102897)

5.10 A Country Practice (5303439) 5.40 ITN News and weather (941043)

6.00 Home and Away (r) (505255) 6.25 Regional News (Teletext) (699168) 6.50 Let's Go (888975) 7.00 Lucky Numbers (2491)



7.30 Coronation Street. A gatecrasher spoils the Websters' celebrations (Teletext)

8.00 The Bill: Pony Express. Deakin is suspictous of a Nigerian drug smuggler 8.30 is it Legal? Last in the comedy series set

in the shambolic offices of a firm of solicitors (7946) 9.00 Savannah: Creep Throat. Drama series

set in Amenca's Deep South. The results of a second blood test prove Edward is Peyton's father and Veronica uses Vincent to get her revenge on Tom (Teletext) (s) (9255) 10.00 ITN News at Ten and weather (Teletext)

(16439) 10.30 Regional News (865743) 10.40 FILM: Farewell to the King (1989) starring Nick Notte, Nigel Havers and James Fox. A British officer and his radioman parachute into Bomeo during the Second World War where they find US Army deserter ruling the local tribes. Directed by John Millus (82172149) 12.40am Stand Up (8790908)

1.10 The Good Sex Guide . . Late (71540) 2.15 FILM: One After the Other (1968) Richard Harrison stars in a western about a bank robberty that goes wrong. Directed by Nick Howard (540144)

4.05 Not Fade Away (r) (s) (3728958) 5.00 Best of British Motor Sport (r) (44076) 5.30 ITN Moming News (52417)

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2.25 High Road (37006965)

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2.55-3.20 Gardeners' Diary (1412255) 5.10 Home and Away (5303439) 6.00-7.00 Westcountry Live (11472) 10.45 Film: The Anderson Tapes (23919762)

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1.55 A Country Practice (89676472) 2.20-3.20 Blue Heelers (2754633) 5.10 Shortland Street (5303439) 6.25-7.00 Central News (763168) 10.40 Film; Smokey and the Bandit

(82172149) 12.40am Comedy Central (4026960) 1.40 The Good Sex Guide (8169366)

2.40 cyber.cafe (1915521) 3.10 Dear Nick (8256298)

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2.30 Channel 4 Racing from Newmarket. Lesley Graham introducesive coverage of the 2.35, 3.05, 3.35 and 4.10 races 4.30 Countdown. (Teletext) (s) (255) 5.00

Absolutely Animals (r). (Teletext) (s) (6287) 5.30 Crawshaw's Sketching and Drawing Course (r) (Teleted) (s) (507) 6.00 Hangin' with Mr Cooper (Teleted) (s) (503897) 6.25 Roseanne (r). (Teletext) (s) (680410)

6.50 Terrytoons (817007) 7.00 Channel 4 News (Teletext) and weather

7.55 Book Choice. John Lanchester reviews cookery books (Teletext) (s) (108946) 8,00 Fifthy Rich: An Honorary Scot. (Telelext) (9781)

8.30 Brookside. Sammy is in for a shock at the airport. (Teletext) (s) (5588) 9.00 Cybill is Cybill due for some hormone replacement treatment (Teletext) (s) (9526)



Matt Lebianc as Joey (9.30pm)

9.30 Friends. Joey is offered a part in a dayume soap opera by an attractive casting agent — but only if he hits the casting couch (Teletext) (s) (21859) 10.00 Frasier. Niles decides to stand up to Maris (Teletext) (s) (29651)

10.30 Whose Line is it Anyway? (Teletext)

11.05 Takeover TV (s) (221385)

11.35 The White Room. The guests include Bryan Adams and Beautiful South (s) (448830) 12.40am FILM: Phantom of the Paradise (1974). Brian De Palma's horror-comedy

2.20 FILM: The Sign of the Gladiator (1958) slarring Anita Ekberg and Georges Marcal Toga and torso epic. Directed by Guido Brignone (\$12873). Ends at

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SKY MOVIES

6.00am An American Christmas Carol (1979) (17014) 8.00 Mr Mum (1989) (4423) 10.00 Going Under (1990) (6527) 12.00 Charrol (1968) (34946) (2.00pm Split Infliaty (1962) (33014) 4.00 A Day for Thanks on Walton's Mountain (1982) (1255) 8.00 The Adventures of Huck Fran (1993) (13978) 8.00 Robin Cook's Mortal Fear (1994) (18323) 10.00 Leon (1994) (482472) 11.50 Fiss of Justice (1993) (879304) 1.30am Tobe Hooper's Night Terrors (1993) (374453) 3.05 The Midnight Man (1974) (33389163) 5.99 (1974) (3620927)

SKY MOVIES GOLD

12.00 Run Wild, Run Free (1969) (2023) 2.00pm The Egg and I (1947) (75656) 4.00 Desire (1935) (6556) 8.00 A Day at the Races (1937) (89120) 8.00 Spenser: For Hire (1985) (9965) 10.00 Comman-do (1985) (192472) 11.35 Crazy Mama (1975) (381946) 1.00am Critical Condi-tion (1987) (406366) 2.46-4.30 The Egg anti I (1947) (269927) 12.00 Run Wild, Run Free (1969) (20033) THE MOVIE CHANNEL

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Hoddle gives Le Tissier his chance



Le Tissier: player seen

FOOTBALL CORRESPONDENT

THE recall of Matthew Le Tissier and the introduction of David Beckham are without doubt the most eloquent statements of intent in the first England squad named by Glenn Hoddle yesterday.

When he delivered the names of his chosen 22 players for the World Cup qualifying game against Moldavia in Kishinev on September I, Hoddle demonstrated that. while he is not foolish enough to tear apart the Euro 96 semifinal team, neither will he rest on his inheritance.

Le Tissier, of Southampton. is an enigma to the country: half the critics see him as lazy. the other half as some kind of divine genius. David Beckham, born and raised in East London, but yet another product of Alex Ferguson's youth mill at Manchester Uni-

scale: a 21-year-old whose goal from the halfway line against Wimbledon last weekend aroused every football watcher, just as Beckham had caught the eye of Hoddle at a youth tournament in Toulon.

"The boy's got immense talent, he's shown that to everyone." Hoddle, the new England coach, said yester-day. In international football you need very, very highly technical players, that's what I'm looking for." Had Hoddle used those words about young Beckham, he might just have got away with it. But no. "the boy" in question is Le Tissier, who will be 28 in October. Hoddle does not promise

that, by then, Le Tissier will get out a ball and train with have started his third full game for his country. Beckham may do so instead, for Hoddle is a fan of the Manchester United player's early maturity, a follower of

fashion and of the opinion that, just as Pelé, Maradona, Kluivert and even Gary Neville have proven, if a player is gifted enough, inexperience is no excuse not to trust him.

And yet, there is an irresist-

ible mirror image between Le Tissier and Hoddle. Could the England coach see some of the frustrations of his own prime, when managers adored his touch but so seldom invited him to express it, in the Southampton player? "Some of it, yes, some of it, no," Hoddle responded. "Matthew's in the squad because we felt we needed to have a chat, we need to work with him ... you know the best way of talking to footballers is to

It is interesting the way Hoddle's eyes become more expressive simply at the mention of the training field. His

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rise to England coach is a symbol of how the game, at home as well as abroad, can be viewed. It must have vision. must embrace players who can caress and cajole the football, not merely those who

can thump it, and one another. Terry Venables turned England partially away from that path. Hoddle, results willing.

will complete the job of asking England's finest to lift their heads, use their vision, show that Paul Gascoigne (who, Hoddle expects to be fit after Achilles tendon soreness) is

not a solitary visionary. Even David Batty, who is no saint, chipped a goal from 40 yards for Newcastle United on Wednesday. Batty. who was discarded by Venables, is re-called by Hoddle. "David's got a better quality of passing than people give him credit for." Hoddle said. "That's added to the bite that he's got." Only one player of the Euro

96 squad is actually dropped. Tim Flowers, gone but not forgotten. Hoddle promises, is replaced by David James, the Liverpool goalkeeper.

Time is Hoddle's immediate enemy. He has had to select individuals who, given barely a month's respite, have been re-immersed in the sometimes destructive cavalry charge of

for only two games. Some are already injured - notably Jamie Adams.

Redknapp and David Platt. Yesterday, Philip Neville, the Manchester United left back, learnt that his ankle injury requires surgery, compounding long-term injuries to Graeme Le Saux and to Jason Wilcox, and giving Hoddle exactly the same dilemma of no natural left-sided player

faced by his predecessor.

But Hoddle, as he should, emphasises the positive. He praises Gareth Southgate's attitude since his return to action after the missed penalty that ended England's European championship hopes. Hoddle personally persuaded Stuart Pearce to abandon his own declared retirement, stating yesterday: "Pearce had a successful championship. He

has vast experience, he is

definitely an option I want to

losing [Franco] Baresi and then finding they couldn't replace him, is very much in my mind."

We know, for the moment, half what is in that mind. Hoddle has chosen a squad, not yet a team. "I'm aware that the first priority is three points in Moldavia, and after watching them in Turkey last week, I think they have a few players better than the last time I saw them. But the group as a whole - Moldavia, Georgia, Poland and Italy - is the strongest in the World Cup qualifying. That makes it a hell of a challenge."

And with that, the coach who admits he has been playing "fantasy league" football all summer long departed for the training ground, where talk comes more naturally.

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Odd dismissals in Oval Test

Crawley stands in breach as England falter

By Alan Lee, cricket correspondent

England won toss): England have scored 278 for six wickets against Pakistan

JOHN CRAWLEY arrived in Test cricket as if by destiny and then spent two years confronting failure and frustration. Yesterday, while the rest of the England batsmen indulged in a competition for the most curious dismissal, he delivered the innings long

It was as well that he did. On a day when England needed to impose their authority on this decisive final Cornhill Test, and when winning the toss gave them the opportunity to do so, a series of misjudgments undermined them. England need a minimum of 450 to control this likely to get close: Pakistan.

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THE OVAL (first day of five: however, will feel they can

The way the wickets fell was uniformly haffling. Alec Stew-art was bowled flicking carelessly across a leg break. Nasser Hussain offered gentle slip-catching practice and Michael Atherton was bowled behind his legs. The best batting of the day ensued, before Graham Thorpe was leg-before, playing a stroke so crooked he will have winced at the slow-motion replay, and Nick Knight was bowled try-

ing to withdraw his bat. At Headingley a fortnight ago, it was indisciplined bowling on the opening day that cost England any chance of an equalising victory. They may look back on their batting vesterday as a comparable missed opportunity but, if this transpires. Crawley, six short

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overnight, will be exempt from

His England career has been a faltering, tottering process. His technique was exposed against South Africa, his athleticism was questioned in Australia and his fitness let him down cruelly in Durban last winter. But when anothe chance came, at Leeds, he batted with the urgent authority of one making up for lost time. If England had sacrificed a batsman instead of a wicketkeeper to accommodate five bowlers here, he might not have played. At least the selectors can reflect with satisfaction on this part of their

Raymond Illingworth and his panel have much else to feel smug about is debatable. The selection puzzle was compounded before play when the man omitted was neither Lewis nor Croft but Andy Caddick, comfortably the best of a disappointing seam attack at Headingley. As Caddick de-pends for his effectiveness on bounce, which is more evident at the Oval than any other English ground, this ranked among the most unfathom-

Whether

able decisions of the summer. Doubts over his full fitness - he missed Somerset's last match - apparently played a part but there is also a theory that Lewis will respond to this opportunity because he knows it will not come again if he fails. Such threats have not

stimulated him in the past. Atherion was soon in distress when Wasim hit him on the right shoulder in his second over. This, however, was an isolated incident on a pitch far from intimidatingly quick. Waqar experimented with some short stuff but Stewart, on home territory, pulled hungrily and well.

Atherton looks on as Mushtaq leads the celebrations after breaking the England opening partnership by bowling Stewart for 44 intervened. Stewart's stroke was frivolous and his reaction. as the ball passed the inside edge to bowl him, was graphic. He stood rooted to the spot. unable to credit what had

> happened. Hussain never settled and. when Waqar obtained some steeper bounce, he opened the face of the bat fatally, deflecting a comfortable catch to

too far across his crease. Crawley then joined Thorpe

second slip. Atherton, who in a partnership of 89, decorated with strokes of high pedihad already been dropped by gree. Thorpe always likes to be Mujtaba at short square-leg off one flawed pull, missed forthright, especially when the ball is coming truly onto the with another, ugly attempt bat, but Crawley played with and then survived a confident such instant fluency that he leg-before appeal from a roused Wagar, who got his man in the third over of the afternoon as Atherton moved

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(Crawley 50), 5-248 (Crawley 73), 6-273 (Crawley 93)

upstaged him, driving the fast bowlers with sweet timing and playing Mushtaq's wrist-spin with quiet certainty. Thorpe's twentieth score above 50 for England did not even threaten to become only his third century and Knight,

> audacious six over mid-wicket, perished unluckily. Lewis's privileges extended to batting ahead of Croft but he did not make the most of it. getting in a terrible tangle as Wasim went round the wicket to angle the ball in. Crawley, four hours into his long-standing date with a Test century, needs to turn it into

> having fetched Mushtaq from

outside off stump for an

Michael Henderson, page 44 County scoreboards, page 44

Shaun Pollock is playing his

last match for them. He will

return to South Africa next

Tuesday for surgery on the injured left ankle that has

troubled him intermittently

Pollock. 23, underwent

scans on the ankle last week,

Bob Woolmer, the South Afri-

ca coach, took the results

home with him this week and

Ali Bacher, managing direc-

tor of the United Cricket

Buard of South Africa, has

now contacted Warwickshire

The club's request that he

should remain for one further

championship game was re-

fused, South Africa plainly fearing for Pollock's recovery

before they begin an intensive

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Sussex turn their back on Giddins

By Alan Lee

SUSSEX turned their back on trouble yesterday, cutting all ties with Ed Giddins. their suspended drugs offender. In a predictable development to a regrettable saga. Giddins was informed that he has no future at the club he joined

straight from school in 1990. The Sussex committee had two options after the 19-month suspension imposed by the Test and County Cricket Board on the maverick fast bowler. Either it supported him through the ban, encouraging him to resume his career, or it abandoned him. It was no surprise at all that it

chose the easy option. A careful statement attempted to sugar the pill. insisting that this was not a disciplinary measure and that it was felt to be "in the best interests of the club and player if a clean break were made", but the brutal truth is that Sussex were impatient to unload a player who had become difficult to handle.

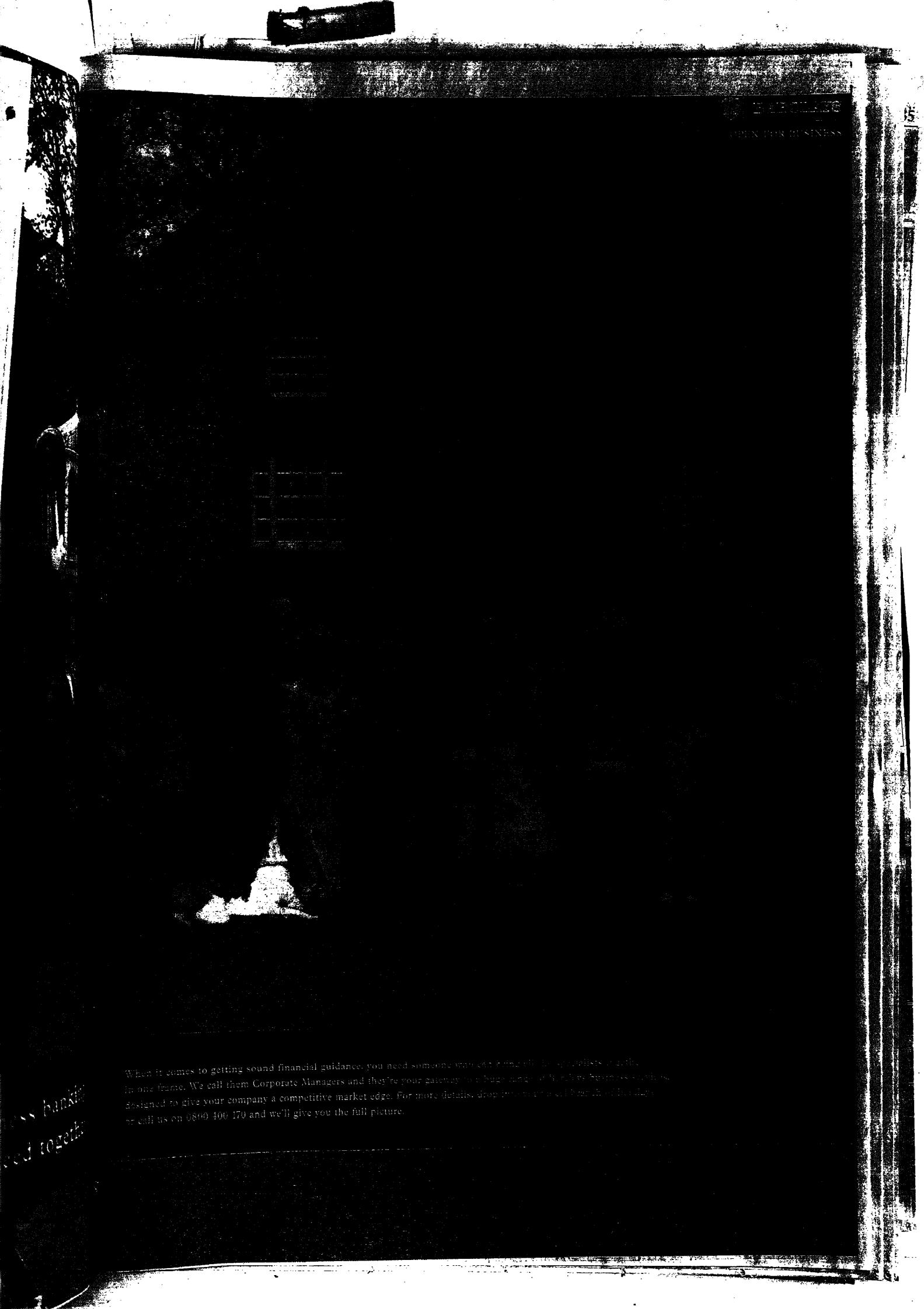
Giddins will be free to join another county for the 1998 season, if he can maintain fitness and enthusiasm that long. In the meantime, he is sifting sadly predictable offers from tabloid newspapers for the spicier stories of his life and, no doubt, seeking the help and guidance that Sussex were unprepared to give.

Sussex will be announcing their full retained list next week and are busily distancing themselves from reports that Ian Salisbury and Martin Speight are keen to leave. There is substance to the rumours, however, and if this talented pair do join Giddins in departing the county. Hove will be a much less interesting place to be next year. Meanwhile. Warwickshire's lingering hopes of

retaining the county championship pennant for a third year have received a severe setback with the news that



tionals this winter.



By TOM RHODES

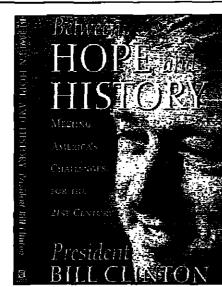
THE work of a ghostwriter, massaged by the White House and published under President Clinton's name arrived in bookstores throughout America yesterday to a distinctly lukewarm reception.

Little more than a compendium of Mr

Clinton's speeches over the past two years. Between Hope and History offers no autobiographical reflection, no agenda for a second term and no mention of the various scandals that have plagued his presidency. His peace initiatives in Northern Ireland, Bosnia and the Middle East, once heralded as ground-breaking achievements, are given hardly a page in the light of recent events. Only the title, taken from a poem by Seamus Heaney, is set in the context of Mr Clinton's visit to Ireland last

Instead, the slim volume merely recites favourite themes, compares his tenure to that of the Progressive Era presidents, Theodore Roosevelt and Woodrow Wilson, and offers an explicitly partisan argument about why Mr Clinton believes he has been

The White House, which kept the publication a secret until last week, has gone to great lengths to insist it is not a political manifesto but a statement of the



President's philosophy — it is subtitled Meeting America's Challenges for the 21st Century - centred upon the three themes of opportunity, responsibility and community. Appearing just days before the Democratic Convention, however, the book barely disguises the issues he hopes will dominate both the event in Chicago and the

subsequent presidential election campaign. Without mentioning Bob Dole, his rival, by name, Mr Clinton also lambasts the idea an across-the-board tax cut that would either explode the deficit or lead to stringent cuts in health programmes. "Mine is truly a progressive vision of the future," he concludes in contrast to the Republican "you're on your own America".

Clinton moves swiftly in tobacco crackdown

FROM MARTIN FLETCHER IN WASHINGTON

PRESIDENT CLINTON will approve as early as today the toughest crackdown on the tobacco industry since the US Surgeon General officially linked smoking and lung can-

In a move riddled with election-year politics, Mr Clinton will sign an executive order giving the federal Food and Drug Administration (FDA) the power to regulate the industry by classifying tobacco as a drug. He will also approve a battery of proposed FDA rules curbing its promotion and sale to teenagers.

Polls suggest the President's announcement will be popular everywhere except in the halfdozen southern states that grow tobacco, and even there Mr Clinton has remained very competitive since he began seriously to challenge the powerful tobacco lobby in 1995. It will strengthen his claim to be a champion of family values moves into top gear before

proval process, with the budnext week's Democratic convention in Chicago. It will also embarrass Bob Dole who has publicly questioned whether nicotine is addictive, and whose party has received many more donations from the tobacco industry than have the Democrats. The Republican presidential

nominee moved swiftly to declare his support for restrictions on teenage smoking yes-terday and denounced the President's impending announcement as a "campaign gimmick". Haley Barbour, the Republican Party chairman, referred to Tuesday's government report revealing a doubling of teenage drug use since

effort to change the subject away from his Administration's abysmal record on drug enforcement". The proposed FDA regulahave certainly sped

through the White House ap-

1992 and called Mr Clinton's

move a "transparent cynical

get office taking barely a week to review them instead of the 90 days permitted. They are expected to shadow closely those Mr Clinton suggested last year. They include a ban on cigarette vending machines, restrictions on advertising at sporting events, in magazines with young readerships or near schools, and a requirement that tobacco companies fund a \$150 million

vertising campaign.
The tobacco industry is already being sued by II states for the costs of treating smoking-related illnesses, and its stock prices fell sharply on news of Mr Clinton's imminent announcement. It has filed a lawsuit challenging the FDA's authority to regulate the industry.

(£97 million) anti-smoking ad-

Tobacco foes, who contend that smoking kills 400,000 Americans a year, hailed as a milestone Mr Clinton's move against what they describe as

the most dangerous but least regulated product on the market. Everett Koop, former President Reagan's popular Surgeon General, called it "the first serious effort we've made as a country to do something about juvenile smoking*

Jesse Helms, North Carolina's Republican senator, said Mr Clinton had "declared war on 76,000 North Carolinians who gain their livelihood in one form or another from tobacco". Some Democrats from tobacco-growing states joined the criticism.

Mr Clinton, who lives in a smoke-free White House but occasionally smokes a cigar, writes in his book, Between Hope and History, published yesterday: "The tobacco industry has no right to peddle cigarettes to children or encourage them directly or indirectly to smoke. It is immoral."

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Police show headless body of family python

Mother's murderer demands execution

FROM DAVID ADAMS IN MIAMI

A FLORIDA man convicted of killing his mother has told a court that he wants to be sent to the electric chair.

Edward Gryzcan, 49, told a Fort Lauderdale court this week that he was "hell-bent" on being executed. After dismissing his lawyer, he was due to make his closing arguments to the jurors late vesterday.

The jury found him guilty in April of killing his mother, Corrine Johnson, in 1993 by breaking her neck, stabbing her in the chest five times, slitting her throat and then placing a rubbish bag over herhead. He then sat with herbody for 11 days.

Desdite a history of menta llness and cocaine addiction, he has rejected all mitigating arguments. Under Florida law, mental condition is often not grounds for leniency.

William Laswell, the sacked defence lawyer, protested against Judge Paul Backman's decision to allow Mr Gryzcan to represent himself. "We've just tried to impose a logical legal system on a guy who's mentally ill," he said.

Britons in tight squeeze with pet

FROM REUTER

A NINE-FOOT Burmese руthon bit a pregnant British woman in a San Diego botel room, then wrapped itself around her and her husband before rescuers beheaded the family pet, police said.

The English couples allowed the three-year-old py-thon — their family pet for the past two months — to slither on to the hotel bed on

Wednesday morning.

The python bit the woman on the thumb and on the batt and then wrapped itself around her," San Diego

police said. The couple's two young children had watched as their. father stabbed the python nant, but the snake coiled itself around his arm. He had managed to call the police who used a small hacksaw to cut off the python's head. The

woman was not hurt. Police said the python had been fed a large guinea-pig two days before, so it was probably not looking for food when it attacked,

Democrats decry welfare Bill as betrayal of poor

PRESIDENT Clinton yesterday launched a huge experiin American social policy by signing legislation fulfilling his 1992 campaign pledge to "end welfare as we know it".

At a televised Rose Garden ceremony hoycotted by several senior Democrats, Mr Clinton signed a Republican-inspired Bill that ends a 60-year-old guarantee of federal aid to the poor, returns responsibility for welfare to the states, and limits how long any ablebodied American can receive welfare.

Mr Clinton's action provoked bitter protests from his own supporters that could well spill over into next week's Democratic convention in Chicago, but the President insisted the Bill, while imperfect. would help millions of people to escape from the welfare trap. It was a "historic opportunity to make welfare what it was meant to be - a second chance not a way of life". Mr Clinton called the Bill a beginning and pledged to try to

remedy its defects. In signing the Bill Mr Clinton not only fulfilled one of his principal campaign promises, but also bolstered his centrist "New Democrat" credentials and robbed Bob Dole, his Republican challenger, of a potent campaign issue. However, there may well be a price to pay.

There were angry demon-strations outside the White House after the ceremony. Chris Dodd, the Democratic Party chairman who will formally propose Mr Clinton as the 1996 presidential nominee. called the signing "an incredibly black mark

Marian Wright Edelman. resident of the Children's

one of the Clintons' closest friends, said Mr Clinton's action was a "moment of shame" and a "betrayal of

children and the poor White House officials have been urgently seeking ways to assuage these critics, and Mr Clinton is expected shortly to announce tax incentives for businesses to employ welfare recipients. He has also granted several states permission to waive some of the Bill's toughest requirements.

Ultimately Mr Clinton is betting that his liberal critics will rally behind him because Newt Gingrich and his fellow Republicans pose a much greater threat to the social afety net.

Under the Bill, Washington will give each state a block grant for welfare which it will be free to use as it sees fit within certain parameters. Those include a lifetime limit of five years for welfare assistance and require able-bodied adults to find work within two years. Unmarried teenage mothers will have to stay at home and attend school to receive benefits, and legal immigrants would also be denied most wellare benefits. So would convicted drug dealers. Poor but childless adults would lose their right to food stamps after three months.





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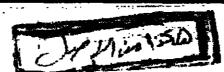
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This is a national failure. If we cannot look after our children, then what kind of people are we?

Horrified nation buries victims of paedophile ring

BELGIUM swallowed its anger yesterday and mourned and buried two eight-year-old girls starved to death by a paedophile gang whose activities have prompted an international search for other missing

Church bells rang out, sirens sounded and newspapers were edged in black. More than 100,000 people lined the route from the home village of the children, Grace-Hollogne, to St Martin's Basilica in Liege where the two white coffins were laid in front of the altar. In barely a week Belgium

has passed through several strong emotions. There was jubilation when two other missing girls, a 12-year-old and a 14-year-old, were found alive in an improvised basement prison. The joy faded quickly, however, when it was discovered that they had been sexually abused by their captors. Then came the unearthing last weekend of the two corpses. The girls, Mélissa Russo and Julie Lejeune, had been trussed, stuffed into plastic bags and buried 10ft deep in the backyard of a house belonging to Marc Dutroux. the chief suspect in the paedo-

The horror turned to anger: at the police for conducting a sloppy investigation, at the judicial system for letting a previously convicted, aggressive paedophile like Dutroux slip through the net and the



Two young girls, starved to death by a gang whose sex crimes have stunned Belgium, were buried yesterday, Roger Boyes writes

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tougher on sex crimes. Every bar in Belgium has a loud advocate of lynching paedophiles and the country is in a state of surly revolt.

The passionate intensity yesterday gave way to sheer exhaustion. A tragedy like this is a national failure," said a university lecturer outside the basilica. "If we cannot look after our children, then what kind of people are we? This is the most fundamental thing." Stefaan de Clerck, the Min-

ister of Justice, was in the

packed congregation, with child rights activists, families of still missing children and the parents and brothers of the murdered girls. The parents, who felt they were not given enough support from the Royal Family, discouraged the palace from sending an emissary to the service. Instead, big wreaths arrived from King Albert and Queen Paola. Jean Denis Lejeune, Julie's father, seemed to put more value on a wreath - one of 5,000 sent in recent days - sent by a group of prisoners who had clubbed together to buy the flowers. M Lejeune personally thanked the convicts.

The two girls were neigh-



bours and in the 14 months of

ed to be a reliable lead. The Belgian police urged them after a fruitless hunt to accept the inevitability of the death of their children; yet at the time the advice was given the girls were still alive, locked up in the tiny concrete cellar in one of Dutroux's many homes. The funeral yesterday was

televised live throughout Belgium. The Netherlands and Luxembourg, and repeated throughout the day. One newspaper, La Dernière Heure, had an entirely black front page. A minute of silence was observed throughout the country. Later, fire stations sounded their sirens. Belgians put black crêpe in

their windows or attached black ribbons to their car antennas. Candles were put on doorsteps, flags were at half mast. Liège, a smoky industrial city that rarely stops work for anything, came to a standstill; most shops were shuttered. Not since the death of King Baudouin has there been such public mourning.

The deepest reaction was in the steel town of Charleroi where the paedophile gang seems to have concentrated much of its activities: It is a town crisscrossed by straight. houses, but it is also full of poignant reminders of child-Lucky Luke, a comic strip cowboy; a toy factory; a monument to a ten-year-old girl



apparently so concerned with children was the site of horrific crimes against children; the shame sits deep. Yesterday the steelworkers of Charleroi laid overcome their inhibitions and knelt down to pray. So many flowers and

throughout the world - including some from Britain that a fire engine had to be included in the cortège to help in transporting the tributes. Many wreaths had teddy bears or children's cuddly toys attached. The 90-minute service in the

over his ears, bowing his head tional elements of a funeral and letting the tears drop to Mass with pop songs enjoyed the floor. by the two dead girls. But as the songs became chimier and more optimistic, so the parents began to lose their composure. As an eight-year-old treble sang For The Children Of The

☐ Brussels: Police seized pornographic videos from Dusexually abusing victims, Le Soir reported yesterday. Other

Religious cult link to child sex trade

By Roger Boyes

A MYSTERIOUS cult known as the Celestian Church of Christ which reportedly has its European headquarters in London, may hold a key to the paedophile scandal which has wracked Belgium.

One of the four men charged in the affair is Jean-Michel Nihoul, a Brussels estate agent. He and his female companion. Annie Bouty, a retired barrister live in a house owned by the Celestian Church of Christ. Moreover, the telephone number of the church is identical to that of Ms Bouty. This has prompted press speculation — notably in *La Dernière Heure* — that the church is more than merely the landlord of a criminal suspect. Yet very little is known about the cult. It appears to have a mainly Nigerian congregation. The four directors of the church's registered company in Belgium are all Nigerian or of Nigerian origin, and include a British citizen of Nigerian birth, Ossai Ulugbe Kenneth, who lives in Anderlecht.

There is no indication that the church is holding religious services or conducting spiritual work, however. It owns seven properties in Brussels — including the one used by Nihoul — as well as two houses in Jette, one in Anderlecht and property in three other Belgian towns.

The Belgian security service, which describes the church as a "very small sect", has discovered that its European headquarters is in London and it has a web of international branches. The statutes of the church's registered company yield little information: the company's aim is to implement the principles of the doctrine of the followers of the Celestian Christian Movement.

So far there is nothing to indicate a direct connection between the church and the paedophile group. But Belgian police are so bewildered by the possibility of an international paedophile network that they are now unwilling to are increasingly looking for been used in some form of

Germany jails US neo-Nazi

FROM PETER BILD IN BONN

GARY LAUCK, the American neo-Nazi, was jailed for four years yesterday by a Hamburg court after he was found guilty of spreading banned Nazi propaganda, instigating racial hatred and using the swastika symbol on material sent through the German

Lauck yelled a tirade of abuse at the court after his conviction and shouted "the struggle will go on" as he was Lauck, thought to be the

prime source of Nazi newsletters, pamphlets and other

propaganda circulating in Germany, has boasted that he first read Hitler's Mein Kampf when he was 13. How much of his sentence he actually serves — the prosecution demanded five years — will also take account of the time that he has already spent in Danish and German custody. He was arrested in Denmark visiting Nazi friends last year before being extradited to Germany in March.

His extradition, trial and conviction are all seen as setting international legal precedents. Under American freedom of expression rights, Lauck broke no laws in his homeland. His arrest in Den-

on political material and por-nography. only followed strong pressure from Germ-any and a complaint that he was breaking Danish law on racial incitement.

While Lauck remained silent for most of his trial, his lawyer, Hans-Otto Sieg, argued he could not be tried in Germany for publishing ma-terial in the US. The judges ruled, however, that he was actively distributing material in Germany. That is an offence in a country where the constitution makes it a crime to deny, as Lauck has done. that millions died in concentration camps in a Nazi holocaust. His only complaint about Hitler's treatment of the Jews was: "It was far too humane.

The 43-year-old Nebraskan of German forefathers likes to describe himself as a "super-German". Using the name Gerhard, rather than Gary, and affecting a German accent in his English, Lauck poured out publications from his bungalow in Syracuse, glorifying the Third Reich and Hitler and declaring war on the Jews. Lauck, who sports a Hitler moustache and parts his hair just like the Führer, likes to be photographed wearing a Nazi shirt with a swastika armband.

Portugal in row over ancient art

CONTROVERSY has broken out at the Portuguese archaeological park of Foz Coa, Europe's largest open-air mus-eum of ancient rock art, barely a fortnight after it opened (Tunku Varadarajan writes). US conservationists have

publicly accused the Portuguese of using "well-inten-tioned but inept" methods to clean the engravings, which date back 20,000 years. However, João Zilhao, the

park's director, insists his

Bossi's night at the opera brings chorus of derision

FROM RICHARD OWEN

Whole World, Julie's father

crumpled, holding his hand

UMBERTO BOSSI, the leader of Italy's separatist Northern League, yesterday en-listed Giuseppe Verdi — born near Parma — in his pantheon of heroes. He caused uproar at Verona's open air opera festival during a performance of Nabucco by dubbing the composer a "Padanian patriot".

"Padania" is the name given

by Signor Bossi and his supporters to northern Italy. The League won a third of the vote in some of the area's towns in

April's general election and he plans to declare Padanian "independence" next month by marching along the Po Valley from the French-Italian border to Chioggia on the Adriatic.

There was turmoil during the performance when the audience noticed Signor Bossi. As the Chorus of the Hebrew Slaves ended, some called out "Long Live Bossi", only to be drowned out by incensed antiseparatists who whistled. booed and shouted "Long live

United Italy!" Signor Bossi seemed to have a less than complete grasp of Verdi's work, however. He told reporters he admired Nabucco above all for its famous Chorus of the Lombardians - to be heard in Verdi's Lombardi alla Prima Crociata, or the Lombards on the First Crusade.

Correiere della Sera pointed out that Nabucco was written "in a spirit of striving for national unity", adding: What a blunder!"

Seeking to retrieve the situation, Signor Bossi said the slaves in Nabucco lamented "their lost and beautiful land".



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How the Russian military bear became a dog that lost its bark

BY DOMINIC LIEVEN

LIKE the dog in the Sherlock Holmes story that failed to bark in the night, the failure of the Russian Army to assert its potential political influence during the past decade requires some explanation.

The Army has had every reason and excuse to intervene. Forced back to its 17th-century borders, Russia has suffered a loss of territory, prestige and power such as one usually associates with catastrophic defeat in a major war.

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officer corps has collapsed. Plummeting budgets and the disintegration of the conscription system have created military forces so weak in morale, training and discipline that they are constantly and easily humiliated by Chechen rebels. In these circumstances, in many countries the tanks would have been on the streets many years ago.

This has not happened in Russia for a number of reasons. Tradition is an important factor. The last

successful military coup in Russia occurred in 1901. Since then, the Army has steered clear of overt political intervention. The communist regime welcomed and strengthened the Army's apolitical traditions. It reinforced them by providing the generals with generous budgets and prestige, while creating institutional and other

controls over the armed forces. In the Gorbachev era the Army was dragged into domestic politics much against its will. In Georgia, and then the Baltic republics. commanders were forced by their against nationalist opposition movements and then disowned by the Kremlin when such intervention resulted in strong domestic and international criticism.

The bungled coup of August 1991, whose leadership came much more from the KGB and Interior Ministry than from a divided and bewildered military high command, further emphasised the perils of military intervention in domestic politics.

Like other parts of the old communist nomenklatura, the officer corps since 1991 has had a very mixed fate. Many of the

brightest officers have left the service, though they have not done nearly as well in business as many former KGB officers and party bureaucrats. While most officers remaining in the Army have been forced to live in miserable conditions. Mr Yeltsin's Government has been careful to treat a minority of key units stationed near Mos-

cow much more generously. Under General Pavel Grachev's leadership, corruption and factionalism within the Army's higher ranks caused still further division and demoralisation. At present the Russian armed forces lack the

dence to take upon themselves responsibility for ruling Russia.

Lack of self-confidence is not of course, the hallmark of General Aleksandr Lebed. To secure his success in the summer elections, Mr Yeltsin in theory appointed him to overall control of security. law and order, and the armed forces. General Lebed is now attempting to exercise his theoretical power. Predictably, he is running into opposition from interests in the entrenched

Kremlin. It suits Mr

themselves. He lacks the power truly to control the interests they represent. He would also much rather postpone any confrontation with General Lebed, who enjoys

wide public esteem. The confusion over who, if anyone, controls Russian policy and the Russian Army in Chechenia reflects in-fighting in the Kremlin much more than a deliberate military challenge to

civilian power. ☐ The author is Professor of Russian Government at the London School of Economics.

Lebed pledges end to Grozny fighting today

RUSSIA'S national security adviser, General Aleksandr Lebed, signed a truce in the Chechen capital yesterday. halting all fighting from 9am today, and predicted that in the coming 48 hours he would also resolve the core issue of the bloody 20-month conflict. In a stunning act of brink-

manship only hours before Russia's military was to blast Grozny to pieces, the former army officer shuttled through the night to secure a ceasefire and then capitalised on his success by drafting a new peace plan.

"I will come back with a draft political agreement in two days," the chain-smoking former paratrooper said after completing a day of detailed negotiations with Aslan Maskhadov, the Chechen rebel chief of staff. "We will discuss it and sign it."

Despite his efforts, however, the situation remains desperately fraught. At least 50 Russian servicemen were killed in a battle that erupted in the capital yesterday before the peace talks and continued after the truce was agreed, the Interfax news agency said. The agency quoted the Russian military command in Chechenia as saying that about 200 Interior Ministry troops, sent on a reconnaissance mission, had clashed with rebels in Minutka

Square. General Lebed refused to give details yesterday of his peace plan, which somehow must satisfy Chechen de-mands for full independence while keeping the republic linked to the Russian Federation. One plan already on the table calls for the withdrawal of all but a few thousand Russian troops and a referendum among the inhabitants of

Chechenia on their status. As though to confirm the tary gave fresh casualty figures yesterday - before the Square — for its losses during at least 406 troops had been killed, 1,264 wounded and 130 were missing, presumed dead.

Reports from Novye Atagi, the village south of Grozny where the negotiations were taking place, said that the two sides had worked out a ninepoint peace deal as a basis for a permanent ceasefire. The document envisages the partial pullout of Russian troops and Chechen forces from . Grozny and the establishment of joint military police offices

sets out permanent positions

urgent need for a halt to the report of fighting in Minutka the latest fighting, saying that Rebel and civilian casualties are also thought to run into the hundreds.

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In addition, the agreement



for Russian and rebel forces and outlines in detail the dates and routes to be taken by withdrawing soldiers and guerrillas. The document also imposes a ban on all further hostilities.

As the two men met to thrash out the details, Grozny from more than two weeks of heavy fighting prompted by the rebel assault to seize the city on August 6.

Unfortunately, most of the civilian population was not there to enjoy the calm: about half the estimated 200,000 inhabitants have fled to outlyenjoyed an unusual respite ing areas fearing a Russian offensive. Many of the refugees are unlikely to trust in the durability of the latest deal. after countless others have

proved worthless. The peace agreement in Grozny coincided with a no less spectacular event in Moscow, when President Yeltsin re-emerged in the Kremlin for

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and obsessive Russian tradi-

tion. Russia's leaders have

always surrounded them-

selves with a cloak of secrecy,

partly from security fears,

partly from the wish to remain

aloof from public gaze.

the first time in two weeks looking and sounding healthy and confident. The Russian leader even managed to joke about reports that he had secretly gone to Switzerland.

However, on a more serious note he upbraided General Lebed for not acting more decisively to resolve the concerned."

Ailing Yeltsin shelters behind

Kremlin tradition of secrecy

Chechen crisis. "One should remember," he said, "that he (General Lebed) constantly promised to his voters that he would solve the Chechen problem if only he had the power. Now he has the power. Unfortunately, no results can yet be seen as far as Chechenia is lysis of the

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From the tsars to Brezhnev and his ailing Communist Party successors, officials have closed the doors on their rulers. Ill-health has been masked with excuses of "a heavy cold", serious operations have been described as

Since tsars and party bosses needed to cower their people

with their omnipotence, they had at all times to give the appearance of personal command and complete control of

THE mystery surrounding the apparatus of the state. President Yeltsin's health and their underlings issued orders and decrees in their name, as happened for at least the last five years of Brezhnev's rule.

Western leaders were admitted only with reluctance to the inner sanctums of power, and were rarely invited into Soviet leaders' homes. Until she was publicly identified at his funeral. Western intelligence was unsure whether Yuri Andropov had a wife.

Mikhail Gorbachev tried to change all this traditional secrecy. Glasnost, for him. principally meant opening up the workings of the state. Even such as the Chernobyl

He tried to make himself and his family more accessible counter to Russian tradition that his wife soon became intensely unpopular.

Democratic reform has eliminated media censorship: it is impossible now to hide major policy items, and press speculation has been rife on

Mr Yeltsin's future. And, although the Kremlin has reacted in the usual way, there are nowadays too many people with competing political views to cover up a political vacuum with secrecy. (Sooner or later the facts of Mr Yeltsin's health will have to

Confident **Simitis** sets date for poll

FROM JOHN CARR IN ATHENS

THE Greek Prime Minister, Costas Simitis, last night announced a general election on September 22 after obtaining the formal consent of President Stephanopoulos to dis-

solve parliament. The Prime Minister is expected to win the election — if not by a landslide, then by a handsome margin. The conservative opposition, New De-mocracy, rivals the ruling Panhellenic Socialist Movement in the opinion polls, but it is plagued by the lacklustre image of its leader. Miltiades Evert New Democracy rank and file will almost certainly demand Mr Evert's replace-ment if, as seems likely, he loses the party its second election in a row, When the Socialists chose

Mr Simitis to succeed the late Andreas Papandreou, he pledged to serve out his Government's full term, which would have ended in October next year. However, close advisers talked him into calling elections to take advantage of his high personal popularity. He also wants a legitimate mandate to carry through long-needed economic reforms, and increase the pace of privatisation.

"If we had waited until next autumn, most of next year would have been spent as a prolonged election campaign. and much of the Government's work would come to a halt," said George Papandreou, the Education Minister and eldest son of the late

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Pol Pot sidelined as Khmer rebels turn capitalist

Khmer Rouge leader, is alive but could soon find himself cornered and short of funds to pursue his struggle against both the Cambodian Government and a breakaway group led by leng Sary, a former right-hand man who allegedly plundered Khmer Rouge

In an ironic twist, the fanatical group, which abolished cash and blew up the central bank when it fought its way to power in Phnom Penh in 1975. is now breaking up in a fight over money and property. Pol Pot is alive, but I think he is finished." a senior Thai military officer said at Checkpoint b, just 150 yards from the Cambodian border opposite the heavily fortified rebel stronghold of Phnom Malai.

Well-informed Thai sources and rebel Khmer Rouge pur Pol Pot's likely present position at Anlong Veng, the Khmer Rouge headquarters in northern Cambodia. It is the base of the one-legged General Ta Mok. one of the group's most capable but ruthless military commanders and political hardliners.

Anlong Veng is in a less rich region, with fewer hardwood trees and fewer gems. Analysts speculate that, China having cut funds when the Khmer Rouge withdrew from the UN-sponsored peace process in 1993, the hardliners could soon be desperate for cash to buy weapons and ammunition.

The rebels, headed by leng Sary, 67, with military commanders Sok Pheap and Ei Kim Chien, are in charge of an area that includes Pailin, the centre of mining for precious gubies and sapphires, and

The Thai officer said that, if Pol Pot had died in early June. as had been rumoured, the Thai forces that watch the border - and monitor Khmer Rouge communications would have heard. "At least there would have been a



A battle over money and property is breaking up the Khmer Rouge, James Pringle reports from Checkpoint 6, on the Thai-Cambodia border

has been no sign of that," he

Khmer Rouge rebel factions here insist they have not defected to the Phnom Penh side, though negotiations

Analysts say Thailand will welcome the split because, if the rebel faction is recognised by Phnom Penh, and thus obtains legitimacy. That businessmen will once more beable to trade openly in Cambodia's depleted natural

That trade was broken off officially after the Khmer Rouge withdrew from the UN peace process in 1993, but has

THAILAND Anlong Veng Phnom Malai Battambano CAMBODIA

recently been quietly resumed by some companies. The rebel Khmer Rouge certainly seem flush with wealth, despite the odd bullock cart. They earn an estimated \$10 million (£6.5 million) a month from the sale of rubies, sapphires and hardwoods. On the Cambodian side of the border here, they drive Land Rovers bought in the eastern Thai seaboard town of Chantaburi.

Fighters sport trendy Ray-Ban sunglasses. Some of the leading cadres use mobile phones and watch worldwide news on satellite television. Thai sources say some have cermonial funeral, but there travelled on black market

Thai and Lao passports, have dabbled in Canadian property, and are educating their children in Thailand or overseas. leng Sary's children were carlier said to be at school in Britain.

Sam Rainsy, the Phnom Penh opposition leader, has suggested that the Khmer Rouge will be more dangerous to the Cambodian rulers if they do join the political process leading up to elections in 1998. A Khmer Rouge alliance with either of the two coalition parties would boost the chosen party's political

"The Khmer Rouge is dam-aged but not finished," said one analyst in Bangkok. The new generation of younger cadres are able, and not widely known in Cambodia."

In Phnom Penh yesterday Prince Norodom Ranariddh, the First Prime Minister, said he would propose a 1994 law banning the Khmer Rouge be lifted, saying it would be possible to tackle national reconciliation directly. Prince Rannaridh said he and Hun Sen, the Second Prime Minister, had agreed that only King Norodom Sihanouk had the power to grant an amnesty to leng Sary, sentenced to death in 1979 by the then Vietnamese-backed Government for crimes against humanity.

would consider such a move if asked by the assembly, but he still preferred the setting up of an international tribunal to try Pol Pot's ruling clique. ☐ A British mining adviser, Christopher Howes from Bristol, who was captured by the Khmer Rouge last March, was

has been heard of him.

Prince Sihanouk said he



Sculptor Cheng Yunxian displays a bronze in Peking of China's senior leader, Deng, who was 92 yesterday

Deng driven into shadows

FROM JONATHAN MIRSKY IN HONG KONG

CHINA'S senior leader Deng Xiaoping, 92 yesterday and the man whose economic reforms brought him national gratitude and made his country an international force, has been pushed into the political shadow by his chosen successor.

Moribund, incapable of intelligible speech — his daughters alone claims to understand him - and constantly rumoured to be on the verge of death. Mr Deng has not been seen in public for more than three years, although his children and official spokesmen regularly assert that his health is "excellent" for a man of his age. If his famous wish to attend the 1997 handover of Hong Kong to China is realised it will be a miracle beyond

With the patriarch's decline, the Deng family now hovers somewhere between isolation and disgrace. President Jiang Zemin, whose 70th birthday thought to be held at Anlong fell earlier this week, was designated "core leader" by Veng. but nothing concrete Mr Deng in 1989 soon after the

medical explanation.

Tiananmen killings, and is determined that the leadership struggle will not be affected by

In the past two years, Mr Jiang has mounted an anticorruption campaign which has resulted in the downfall, imprisonment, and in one case the suicide of members of the Deng clique. The most spec-

neurial daughter. Ding Peng, a niece involved in a scandal, is no longer prominent in Cantonese business. He Ping. Mr Deng's son-

of party rules that forbid

profit-making by leaders' fam-

ilies, no longer appears here.

Nor does Rong, an entrepre-

in-law, has been named by the FBI in a recent weapons

6 With the patriarch's decline, the Deng family now hovers somewhere between isolation and disgrace ?

tacular target was Chen Xitong, a Politburo member and mayor of Peking during Tiananmen, now detained for embezzling millions of pounds worth of official funds, some of which was used to build mansions in the capital or was spent on mistresses.

Zhifang, one of Mr Deng's sons, connected to Hong Kong business interests in defiance

smuggling case in San Fransisco and is reportedly in disgrace.

So open is the attack on the Dengs that Pufang, the son confined to a wheelchair since his persecution during the Cultural Revolution, recently broke the embargo on Deng relatives speaking in public to hail his father's economic reforms and accused the Government of "wholly negating the Deng Xiaoping political There is some truth in this.

To deflect the attacks of disgruntled diehards who charge that the Deng reforms produced a society infused with corruption and crime, Mr Jiang now regularly offers warnings such as: "We must strictly ban the cultural trash poisoning the people and social atmosphere and not sacrifice culture and ideology merely for a short period of economic development."

This is a direct attack on Mr Deng's notion that while opening windows — in this case to the West — inevitably attracts noxious insects, the overall benefits are great.
In addition to Mr Jiang's

own ambitions and his ingratitude to the man who made him, another black cloud in Mr Deng's old age is his widespread condemnation as the man who commanded the Tiananmen killings and subsequent national purge.

WORLD SUMMARY

India faces snub over test ban

Geneva: Australia and other countries were set yesterday to take the comprehensive nuclear test ban treaty for signature by heads of state in New York next month, regardless of the outcome of procedural wrangling in the Conference on Disarmament (Peter Capel-

Richard Starr, the Australian Ambassador, said it was essential to avoid paralysis and to present the treaty for wider international recognition. India is refusing to sign the treaty unless it is changed to include a commitment to full disarmament by the five declared nuclear powers.

Megawati holds settlement talks

Jakarta: Lawyers representing Megawati Sukarnoputri. the figurehead of Indonesia's pro-democracy movement. have agreed to discuss an outof-court settlement with the Government in her dispute over her removal as leader of the Indonesian Democratic Party. If there is no deal in a week, the case will proceed, the trial judge said.

Mother Teresa on respirator

Delhi: In the latest of many bouts of illness, Mother Tere-sa, who will be 86 next Tuesday, is on an artificial respirator in Calcutta after being admitted to the intensive care unit of the Woodlands Nursing Home (Christoper Thomas writes). Doctors said her condition was not improving but that she had stabilised.

Sea mail

Johannesburg: Carlo Hoffmann, II, is writing, by ordinary post, to Danielle Murray, an American girl of the same age whose message in a bottle he found on Robben Island, President Mandela's former prison. (Reuter)

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n intriguing scene was played out recently before diners Lat a fashionable London restaurant. The Marquesa de Varela, doe-eyed socialite and international fixer for Hello! magazine, was having lunch with a friend at Daphne's, Chelsea, and had just been handed a copy of the

"What is theces? It is pathetic, rubbish," she splut-tered in her unmistakable South American accent. As she turned page after page. observers watched as she pointed in disgust at the glossy features, shrieking Who is interested in thees boring person? No one! Why is thees person's photograph in here — she is a monster, grotesque! Whereupon it was hurled to the floor.

It would not take a genius to extrapolate from this that all is not well with the Marquesa and the magazine sne virtually created. The problem, by all accounts, is her relationship with the editor, Maggie Koumi, which one insider described as "not so much frosty as sub zero".

In Hello!-speak this would probably be euphemised as the inevitable tensions and stresses of two highly-talented and creative women working in an unimaginably pressured environment". In ordinary-speak it is a loathe-hate relationship which could be just about to explode.

It is the magazine's worst-kept secret that the Marquesa is on the point of packing her designer bags and walking out of Hello! for good. She has complained to friends that she is being treated abominably, that her stories are being suppressed, that she deserves more respect after giving so many years of her life to creating a national institution. More importantly, she has contempt for much of the material that Koumi produces, dismissing it as "amateurish".

Newspaper executives, publishers, rival magazines. even a US television company have scented blood and are courting her furiously, offering figures which would put The magazine's international fixer, the Marquesa de Varela, is furious with Maggie Koumi, its editor, over the treatment of her stories

carefully," said one.

own right. The Koumi camp

saw it as management simply

encouraging a member of

staff to better her-

self. The Marque-

sa's camp inter-

preted it as a

deliberate attempt

Stranger still, the

agent of one celeb-

rity who last week

rang the Marque-

sa's London home

to discuss a pos-

sible deal, said he

arranged to call

again in a few days. "It is

possible my telephone may

have been cut off by then," the

Marquesa told him mysteri-

ously, refusing to elaborate.

She then gave him the num-

ber of a friend to contact if her

line had been disconnected.

Although the two women have known each other for

years, Koumi, a former editor of 19 magazine, has only been

British editor for 18 months.

Previously she worked as

editor in Madrid, while the

Marquesa was Hello!'s rov-

ing international ambassador

building up formidable con-

tacts with the world's rich and

famous. During this period

their relationship was amica-

ble but when Koumi moved to

London to take over from

launch editor Maggie Good-

Though in theory their

personalities should comple-

ment each other perfectly, in

practice they do not. Koumi.

53, a Greek Cypriot who is

married to an artist and has

man, the cold war began.

to undermine her.

shade. This, after all, is the woman who secured the story of Koo Stark's pregnancy, the Marquesa directly their photographs will have less chance of being used. "You Duchess of York's modelling ambitions and Imran Khan's wedding. After the bitter and public battle between Woody Allen and Mia Farrow it was to the Marquesa that Farrow turned when she wanted to give her side of the story. She is on first name terms with Elizabeth Taylor and regular

with the Tiggy Legge-Bourkes and Palmer-Tomkinsons of London life. Curiously,

spite being international editor, she has not set foot in Hello!'s London headquar-Wellington

CAROL House, for years. When she comes to London, she answers directly to Hello!'s astute owner, Eduardo Sanchez, in Madrid and when you call Wellington House and ask to speak to its most famous journalist you are told: "She doesn't work

from here. What is it regard-ing?" Calls to Koumi about

the rumours, meanwhile, are

not returned.

nsiders say there is intense rivalry between the two women which has resulted in the Marquesa being increasingly sidelined. It was she who fixed the interview with Paul and Sheryl Gascoigne at their wedding, an issue which, although some considered downmarket, is reported to have achieved record sales of almost 650,000. But Koumi apparently showed little pleasure in the success.

Photographers who deal regularly with the picture desk at Hello! speak of being A 60-a-day smoker who con-fides in few people and rarely stops working, even to eat, she is a shouter who believes in creative tension to get The Marquesa, a glamor-

ous divorced Uruguayan aristocrat, is the garrulous opposite, Warm and effusive. she is said to be often naively trusting. She remains friends with most of the celebrities have to play the politics very she has profiled, but complains repeatedly that her jet set lifestyle is a lonely one, One of the final flashpoints severing her from her three seems to have been when the Marquesa's assistant Stephchildren Bruno, 17, Valeria, anie Holly began to work 24, and Natalia, 25, and her 100 dogs in Uruguay. from home as a writer in her

shrewd, tough and streetwise.

taff say the problem is that Koumi does not like the Marquesa taking the glory for world exclusive scoops. By dealing directly with Madrid on big stories, the Marquesa effectively by-passes Koumi, a humiliating feeling for any editor. Koumi is further rattled by the increasing success of OK! magazine which, although not in the Hello! league is still growing in circulation.

One former employee says: "The Marquesa thinks Maggie is trying to destroy her credibility. Maggie is not a sociable person, i would actually describe her as joyless. The staff don't feel she is always on the ball. For instance, this week there are pictures of Jack Nicholson shopping in St Tropez. The caption says the gifts are probably for his partner Rebecca Broussard but everyone knows they split up months

Marcelle D'Argy Smith, the former editor of Cosmopolitan, recalls that Koumi never saw eye to eye with her predecessor, Maggie Goodman. In the early 1990s Koumi, then Madrid editor, would fly over for awards ceremonies in London.

When they went up to collect joint awards for Hello! they would walk up separately then sit down again without speaking. They were joint editors but it was fairly well known they didn't get on."



home in Chelsea, the Mar-

quesa did not deny rumours

that she is about to leave. "I

have a lot of decisions to make

about my future right now."

Maxim Gorky.

Stove, now 67.

Petersburg.

devastated.

was, "Ah, Catherine, daaarling, and she would put her arms round me," recalls Mrs

Her grandfather was famous not only for writing, but for a string of extra-marital

affairs. Moura Budberg was

his last love and their affair had begun in 1920, when they met at Gorky's flat in St

However. Wells returned to England and his second wife

Jane. She tolerated his affairs and he depended on her. When she died in 1927 he was

in 1929 Moura came to

England and they resumed

their affair. In the same year

Catherine was born to Wells's eldest son George, known as Gyp. and his wife Marjorie,

vho was also HG's secretary.

about her grandfather's carlier affairs with Amber Reece, bv whom he had a daughter.

Rebecca West a young and beautiful writer who bore him

son. or Odette Koen, a German writer with whom

Wells was also involved after

most of his days closeted away

working. "He was great fun

and liked parties. He was

small and sort of roundish and had a squeaky voice when excited."

Had she read some of what

her mother was typing - the third, secret volume of his

autobiography — her impres-

always unexplained women, and unexplained children. After her mother's death in 1962. Catherine's father saw it

as his mission to get the third

The vision Catherine

had of Wells was of a

great writer who spent

his wife's death.

Catherine was never told

THE LA - YEAR MARRIAGE OF THE MARQUESA TO HELLO! MAGAZINE IS RUMOURED TO BE ON THE ROCKS. THE OTHER WOMAN' IS EDITOR MAGGIE KOUMI (PICTURED LEFT)

mours. Jose Ignácio, the administrative director of the Hola! Company in Madrid said: "This is the first I have heard of it." But among staff in the

her tether," says one member of staff. Eduardo is getting very nervous - he knows that losing her would be disastrous but he is just sitting there in Madrid letting things

upset her either. She is a very good production editor. "Most people wish they would get on because they don't want the Marquesa to leave. With her contacts book she could command any price from any publication in the

she said. "But it would be Hello! offices, the talk is of unprofessional of me to comroll away. The obvious thing would be to deal with Maggie ment on them at this moment. but while sales are going up Everyone knows the Marworld. If she goes it will be the Maybe in a few weeks." The secret life of H.G. Wells

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s a child. Catherine Stoye often visited her The granddaughter of the great A Stoye officer vision A grandfather, H. G. writer talks to Grace Bradberry

Wells, at his apartment in Hanover Square, near Regent's Park. On one occasion Catherine is divided in her she met Baroness Budberg, a descendant of Peter the Great attitudes to her grandfather. Well, he was a spoilt boy in and a former secretary (and lover) to the Russian writer some ways. He was selfish, but then people who are exceptional often are." "She was a big, fat lady. I didn't like her very much. It

devoted to my grandmother. I think she wasn't frightfully strong, so physically she couldn't keep up with him. He was hyper-active and perpetumust have been moments when he was very difficult, but she was devoted to him. That sort of loyal wife has

gone out of fashion. I think I can understand it very well." Bookmark: H.G. Wells is on BBC2 this weekend in two parts, Saturday at 8.55pm and Sunday at 8.45pm.

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How I lost my fear of dying

he capital and its famous men are the inspiration for Peter Ackroyd's opus that will only be finished at my death'. Interview by Mary Riddell

PETER ACKROYD was very good about the garden stool. Charming, really, Particularly since he had been so profuse in his warnings of its immi-

"Be careful: you are quite a heavy boy!" he cried as the photographer stepped on to the doomed item. There was a crash, followed by a wail. "Oh dear, oh dear," said Ackroyd, lapping his arms like a large wand disconsolate bird. "It was so frightfully expensive."

There are, in the literary world, those harsh enough to think patio furniture would be a financial bagatelle to a man who could, if he so wished, fill his Islington town garden with Giacometti statuary. What other author could command an advance of £1.25 million for his next eight books?

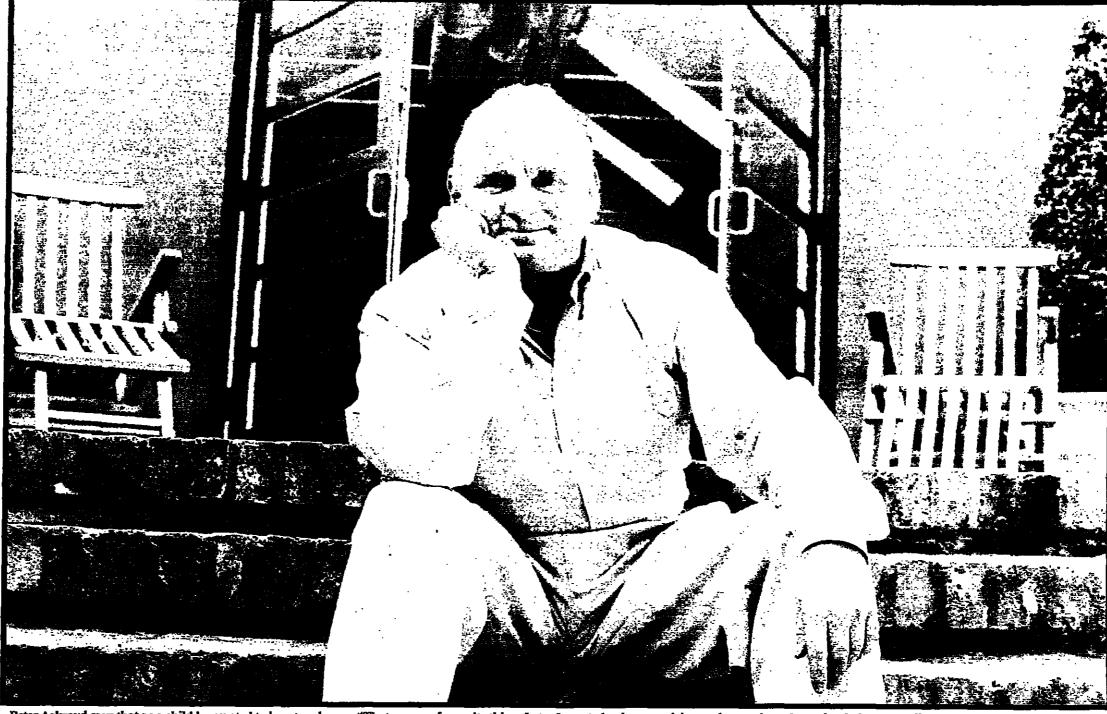
In Ackroyd's view, the hard labour he invests in his work renders it a modest contract. "It's not that much, if you divide it by ten years. I'm not exactly impoverished, and I wouldn't claim hardship, but a lot of authors would have turned down a deal like that because they wouldn't want their futures mortgaged.

"I am so intent on pursuing a vision that I don't want to be bothered. I know exactly what the books will be, and I just want the freedom to write them.

His latest novel, Milton in America, which explores what might have happened if Cromwell's secretary had fled the country to join the Puritans of New England, is published next month. The paperback edition of his acclaimed biography of William Blake will be released at the same time. Different as they are, both form part of a grand opus. rative that will only be finished at my death."

If the scope of his work suggests Trollope, his canvas does not. Ackroyd is a gravedigger, sifting through the buried secrets of London and the lives of those visionaries from Blake to Sir Thomas More (his current subject) who left their stamp on the city.

He is a believer in historical resonance, the circularity of time and other difficult notions which did not meet with universal respect in his earlier days. Of late, however, the



Peter Ackroyd says that as a child he wanted to be a tap dancer. "That was my favourite thing. Later I wanted to be a magician and an antiquarian — but being a novelist, you can do all of those things'

"dreadful, absolutely bonkers" school of book reviewer has stayed mute, while the ghostly, mystical world evoked by Ackroyd has increas-ingly achieved the cult status befitting a literary Doctor

The first odd thing about him is his purpose-built room at the bottom of his garden. It does not look like the haunt of a modern philosopher: resembling, rather, a widget-making module on a light industrial estate.

His research files, square yards of them, are scrupulously ordered on a table the size of a squash court. This is the production line, where Ackroyd assembles his books with a speed and factory-style efficiency more appropriate to the manufacture of sliced bread than of great literature. Even

India

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he acknowledges the mechanical nature of the task.

"It's minute — like a being a jeweller or something. A hell of a lot of work. I do sometimes wonder if it's worth it." he grumbles. But of course he is both a brilliant and a contented man; plump, expensively dressed, with smoothed yellow hair and the benign manner of someone orderly in both mind and lifestyle.

And still, just as the sanitised climate of Ackroyd's workshop belies the dark nature of the London he describes, so the urbanity hides a hleaker side. Another Peter Ackroyd has been spoken of: a louche, hard-drinking figure; sprawled on sofas at literary parties, loudly

propositioning erosexual, who had caught his wander-

Is he really so badly behaved? I'm a good Not now, he says. but he was. "There was a point when Brian was ill when l started taking tranquillisers, and I drank with them.

That was a very contentment has bad mistake to make and the rendered both an unnecessary cause of that sort of behaviour. those episodes."

Two years ago Brian Kuhn. his literary assistant and partner of 22 years, died of Aids. More than a lover or a workmate, he was also the man who helped to save Ackroyd's career when he nursed him through a nervous breakdown.

with a great feeling of malaise. I was doing two books at once, and the overwork got to me. What happened? Well, nothing. I just didn't work for six He is cautious only because

he does not care to talk, or to write, of feelings. Though his work is spun on nostalgia, he is — as he will acknowledge an unsentimental man, dismissive of psychological and sexual themes ("If you want that stuff, you can turn on the television".

rather buttoned-up. In my case, what people call emotion goes on the page." How hard, then, to deal with the slow death of someone he loved.

with. Brian dìdn't want anyone to know he was ill, so I didn't tell people. A nurse

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came in once a week for the medication, but it was just me and him. It wasn't very nice, but it wasn't any heroic or romantic thing either — just doing what had to be done.

"He was ill for four years before he died, and it was so obviously going to happen that when it did, it was a relief." Ackroyd worked on, translating some of the grim scenes of illness into his novel The House Of Doctor Dee, but the harsher images have softened now.
It made me not afraid of

death. Brian was singing in his bath two days before he died, and I lost my fear of mortality as a result of seeing him. But yes, mine is a less unpleasant life than it used to

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be - a much more relaxed and happier and more interesting life, because when Brian was alive all my energy was directed at him and his illnesses. So now every day is a miracle in a way." As for the drink-

ing and the bad hehaviour, a new

distraction, "I've met someone else, and I'm happy. He works for me, as Brian did, but they are quite different in temperament and character. The maryou're freed of all those burdens of having to go out and

contemporary fiction holds less allure than the source material for his More book: Erasmus, Saint Augustine, Luther: I have much more fun with that."

His worksheet is filled in until 2003 with biographies and novels; all pieces of his grand jigsaw. "When I realised I was inextricably linked by magic. You can be ambitious and determined and energetic. But my good fortune was to find the medium.

"I realised gradually that I could write. I still don't think I'm all that good, but when I began I really didn't think I could write fiction. I thought I was hopeless. The whole vision built up as I became more rested in the city. Now I'm don -- subjects emerged as if confident about the quality of Even as we ponder the Valerie Grove is on holiday.

the writing — but I don't think I'm a good modern novelist; more of a freak, except that this sort of fiction has become more popular."

Although he is far too modest, his vision is never less than grandiose. "In the city, I explore myself and the landscape of the imagination." But do not think him a pompous

geography of the mind, from Limehouse to Clerkenwell, his mental London A to Z guide flips to a less spiritual location. Maida Vale. W9, to be precise. There, as he reminds me, one obtain garden stools.

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n this long vacation, offices are full of "work shadows" preparing for their glittering careers by observing others at work "Sir" Max Clifford, "Lord" Gummer and "Princess" Julia Carling have made public relations a popular option for graduates. For their benefit I reproduce a Redbridge Finals examination in Special PR Media English that has been leaked to us by a mole at the university printers.

Time allowed: Three bours.

Answer the questions you are asked, or any others you find more convenient. Candidates are warned that consulting a colleague will undoubtedly result in an incorrect answer.

1. a) Distinguish between the words recreation and recreation.

b) Invent a simple punctuation mark, called, say, a hyp-hen, which would render this exercise unnecessary.

c) Then use it to make such embarrassing breaks at line-endings as "People who are suffering from stress need to see anal-

He was sent to prison for the crime of mans-"His public relations endeavours were a leg-

"To save shopping, try buying your linger-ie from a catalogue?"

"Some people really hate using the telep-

hone. They always find themselves disco-2. Give an account of Humpty Dumpty's

philosophy of language as expounded in Through the Looking Glass. Describe his influence on press releases, using as examples putative and parameter. 3. Your brother-in-law is a chiliast and has

been unsettled by recent publicity. Write him a letter explaining why he need not stay up late on December 31, 1999. 4. "The impact of a metaphor increases as

the meaning of its source becomes lost." Show how this statement may be applied to

5. A PR consultant walks at 4 km per hour from Mount Olympus to Olympia. Assuming that he stops for one hour at each taverna on the way, calculate his journey time. Does the adjective Olympian apply to his starting point or his destination?

6. a) Give the new musical notation required to accommodate the revised PR wording of the old sentimental song "... when I'm a man, / My action plan / Will be to marry you".

b) If a novel entitled Convincement had been written 200 years ago, what might it have been called?

c) Describe the economic theory propounded by Simplistic Simon.

d) Write a self-appraisal of your personal

mission statement without pausing, deviation or repetition.

7. Is epicentre the comparative or superlative of centre? In either case, calculate the location of the epicentre of the Hiroshima nuclear explosion in the plane of our galaxy. Invent a suitable word for the ground surface located immediately beneath the

8. Complete the passage from The Tempest that starts "Full fathom five thy father lies . . ." Use this passage to demonstrate Shakespeare's surprising lack of imagination concerning the variety of possible applications of the expression sea

9. Give an account of the process of diffusion as applied to the rendering harmless of explosive devices.

10. Are the standards of public examinations in the United Kingdom (a) rising; (b) falling; (c) much the same as they always have been? this question, how do you alibi it? 11. a) Explain why all sexist words must be

b) Is it permissible to allow Dog & Duck on the grounds that the words are of opposite genders and therefore cancel one another out?

c) What does a chair sit on? d) If you were in the happy position of having it, would you flout it or flaunt it?

Jeffrey Gordon says even in rape cases the accused should be allowed to defend himself in person

The case of Raistan Edwards, who was yesterday found guilty of rape at the Old Bailey, has led to calls for the right to conduct one's own defence to be curtailed. The victim in this case was subjected to six days of crossexamination by Edwards — an ordeal for any woman. Yet it seems perverse to insist on representation in one case and not in another. Rape is not the only type of case where a victim might be intimi-dated or embarrassed. The distinction between rape and, for example, serious indecent assault could be technical indeed. There are many kinds of sensitive cases, from blackmail to domestic violence. It would be impractical, as well as wrong, to make an exception

for rape alone. At a time when the Lord Chancellor is seeking to put barristers and solicitors representing defendants under franchises (a kind of corporate state control), it would be wrong to prevent apparently maverick defendants from defending themselves. An intelligent layman might well have legitimate doubts about accepting a franchised lawyer. At present, the barrister or solicitor-advocate exercises complete independence of judgment, but under the new system a legally aided defendant might plausibly believe that his advocate was not fully

Nor should we criticise the way the Edwards case was conducted. It was presided over by a wise and experienced judge, Ann Goddard, QC, who is more

independent.

Why we need the right of self-defence

years ago when she started at the Bar and when her late father, a retired chief detective superintendent of police, had changed his occupation in retirement and was assisting my practice in defence

Rape cases have a particularly emotional aspect, besides complicated procedural rules concerning evidence, designed to protect the victim. However unpopular it may be to point it out, allegations of rape are sometimes falsely made, in my own office currently we are dealing with such a case.

The climate was quite different a generation ago, when there were still echoes in this country of the Scotsburgh Boys case, involving an utterly false allegation made against a series of young black Americans in the Deep South. Then it was politically correct to think in terms of how a man could so easily be convicted on flimsy evidence -

person come into a Crown courtroom naked and unrepresented by a lawyer.
Until well into the last century, by
contrast, those charged at the Old Bailey with serious crime could not have the benefit of counsel to deal with the facts, but only to argue points of law and advise them. The Trials for Felony Act of 1836 changed that. However, until 1898 such a person could not actually go into the witness box on his own behalf. Things have gone full circle now, with public outrage at the apparent expense of representation in court, notwithstanding the odd miscarriage of justice as a result of inadequate legal representation. It is a fundamental principle of the English common law that every accused person has a right to defend himself. If that right were refused, any conviction would automatically be quashed on

I have long held the view that legal

than capable of presiding properly over a criminal trial. I well remember her as a most promising junior more than 30

and in that case the electric chair beckoned.

and in that case the electric chair court system itself. With defendants represented by solicitors and barristers, order prevails both in the court-room itself and behind the scenes. Representation gives defendants a feeling that justice is being done (even if possibly it is not).

> falling short of actual representation in court is representation by a legal adviser who does not actually act as an advocate. This is known to the Oxford English Dictionary as a McKenzie Friend. I am happy to have invented this practice nearly 20 years ago, when the Court of Appeal held that a man has a right to be assisted in court by someone falling short of an advocate. This right was later frequently used in poli tax cases.

The courts can run wild if a defendant is not represented, and it sometimes happens. On the other hand, an accused person must always be in a position to put his case. I can see no reason why a

person has to be represented, and certainly the legal profession makes no claim that it should be compulsory. The law must surely allow a person who has lost faith and confidence in the legal profession to represent himself.

It is right that no person charged with an offence of a sexual nature should cross-examine in person any witness who is a child. Not many years ago, two eminent solicitors said they would not represent anyone accused of rape, seemingly prejudging them guilty. Many lawyers found this distasteful, as should anyone concerned with liberty and a free and independent legal profession.

Trials have grown longer, and judges do not always exercise the control they should. This is often in the apparent interest of fairness, but Crown Courts might profitably learn from the experience of stipendiary magistrates, who often — and utterly fairly — try cases in half-an-hour that would take two days in a Crown Court. A long-winded barrister may extend the victim's ordeal no less than an unrepresented defendant. Perhaps even without statutory reform, judges should consider how to oblige lawyers and laymen who cross-examine to do so as briefly and relevantly as

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Fools and their money

There is no end to the people willing

to empty their purses into dubious speculations such as BCCI or Titan

hat is it that draws me and obviously draws thousands more — to back-toback horror stories concerning money? We who are drawn know that there are two kinds in these stories: the plainly crooked ones whose feet can be heard tripping down the stairs to get away, and the equally plainly greedy ones who have lost their (sometimes to the plainly crooked) because they were greedy.

Very well, you say, there are crooks and there are softies, and both of these types are so old that they go back to Adam and Eve, viz, "The serpent beguiled me, and I did eat". More plainly, I ask what is my favourite question in these matters: why do sane, decent people, again and again, per-suade themselves that ten plus ten

make fifty? We don't have to go back to the great BCCI scam to find that there is a sucker under every tree. But the Titan Business Club, to give it

its full name, did actually do that very thing. In this case,

as many as 12,000 investors paid between £2,500 and £3,000 each to join the Titan Business Club . . . The new recruits were expected to recoup their money by persuading four or five other people to join up at . . . meetings held around the

And as the story began to rise in the courts, it was Robert Miller of The Times who perhaps did most to alert the world to what was going on at Titan.

But listen to this: "Patrick Minford, one of Britain's most respected economists and a member of the inner circle of six 'wise men' who advise Kenneth Clarke, the Chancellor, was retained as a special adviser to the American version of Titan." Well, well; it seems that "one of Britain's most respected economists and a member of the inner circle of six 'wise men' who advise Kenneth Clarke, the Chancellor", may not be quite up to seeing that two and two make four, not three and a half.

But let us now leave that "most respected" booby, and turn to those who were convinced that money would rain from the clouds if there are enough people to believe it. And every now and again there are enough people to believe it. For the Titan Business Club is only one of thousands — literally thousands — which try the old trick, again and again, and with a wink and a

nod catch their mouse. The hair of my hero, Tony Hetherington (of the Mail on Sunday) has gone grey repeating the rubric: every — every — chain letter, whether it is the child's one, saying that it mustn't be broken or pussy will run away - to, well - look at Titan . . . But pussy's bewilderment does not take huge sums of money; yet the money the Titan swallowed was real money.

Come, I have money in my bank at roughly 512 per cent, and the sum grows modestly. I am content with that tree and what grows on it. Now then: how does it come about that reasonably intelligent people somehow begin to believe that their 5½ per cent can burgeon overnight to 10 or 15 per cent or even more? But that is what they came to believe, and £17 million of their money

> And to rub in the salt, the experts tell us that the money was not stolen but "lost". But I do not intend to go through the details of where the money went and why and how. What.

for me, is fascinat-ing in this story is what the people thought and said when they saw their money disappearing down a deep dark hole. We all like money and what it can bring us, which is roughly what the people who swarmed around the fatal BCCI believed. But where was the broken bridge, and why did the suckers not notice that the bridge was broken? To this day, there are people who are still saying that they have been swindled by BCCI. But these people have forgotten how the catastrophe began. I for instance did not put my money - not a penny of it — in BCCI, though then BCCI shone like the evening star, and

looked marvellous. But why and how did it look marvellous? For, after all, there is only one way to measure marvellousness when we are talking about money. We talk about the golden gleam, and what the recipient will do with the new-made money, but that is all talk. And - believe it or not - the people who put their money into BCCI did so because the rates of return were enormously higher than anything they had previously met.

But now look at this, from The Times .- only a few words: Thousands of angry investors who joined Titan . . . may form a protest group to recoup losses now believed to top E17 million, after the scheme was closed down in the High Court yesterday."



Oh, yes, they may form any number of groups, and dance round the maypole for hours and hours, but the E17 million will never come again. And my modest millions are safely stowed in a bank, but not - oh, not - in the Bank of Greed

and Morplease. Greed? Well, of course there is a substantial element in it, but I do not believe that it is only greed which is behind these crashes. The element I study looks the same as folly, but is not quite the same. It is something only something - like the wheel in the gambling saloon, where people mutter: One more throw and I can get my money back twice over."

o! says the wiseboy, I would never be seen gambling; that's for fools - and he immediately puts £17 million into a business that even I, pitifully ignorant man when money is to the fore, can tell that the sound we hear consists of money vanishing, never to be seen again. And don't think that the Titan business is the only absurdity where money is concerned. Just now a page from the Financial Times fluttered on to my desk. I glanced at it, and then looked more closely. And then I was transfixed, for the paper was headed "International

corruption: a survey of business perceptions". I trembled with joy for such a list - there are 54 entries, each a single country, and I opened one of my best bottles. Dammit, if I was to have an evening of pure joy, I wouldn't let anything mar it. The list gave ratings out of 10: if any

one country had been perfect, it would have scored ten exactly; the worst of all was 0.69. Ready, steady. go. Gentlemen, place your bets. Which

country of the 54 came closest to perfection as the cleanest? No dear, we all wish it were Britain,

but it isn't, though it gets pretty high marks. Come, try your hand. Yes, New Zealand, which scored 9.43

Now look at the end of the column to find the most corrupt country in the world. It is, not surprisingly, Nigeria. with 0.69 out of 10. But I find the second most crooked astonishing: it is Pakistan, with exactly I out of 10. Now Pakistan, everyone knows, is a savage and brutal place, particularly with its brutal reli-gion, but to find that it is fifty-third out of 4 in the corruption league is alarming.

After New Zealand, as exemplars of probity, we find Denmark, Sweden (boring, it is said), Finland (I once went galloping over the frozen ice pulled by a pair of thundering horses), Canada, Norway and Singapore (but Singapore bullies and twists its way to success). Switzerland, The Netherlands, Australia, Ireland (hmmm), and us. We beat Germany, Israel, the United States, Austria, Japan, Hong Kong and the French (who are six places below us).

And so the corruption and fraud goes on, among the scamsters, but also in governments and everything they touch. Be warned:

Corruption in trade and government procurement around the world has worsened, with companies offering illicit payments winning 80 per cent of their hids

... business newspapers and magazines almost read like police blotters . . state-owned industry officials demanding bribes, corporations making payments to politicians for contracts, costs of projects being inflated to cover kickbacks . . .

Mutatis mutandis this must all be true throughout the world, including Britain. The Titan Business Club came from the United States, but when it reached our shores there were few to cry "No", and thousands to cry "Yes". And of those thousands who cried "Yes" and lost all their money, there are dozens who are even now looking for the same brand of mousetrap. And that will be the story to

Silk swapping

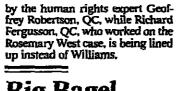
SOME SERIOUS political mud-slinging will begin just when the Tories don't want it: days before the Conservative Party conference. A date in the first week of October has been set for the courtroom libel battle between The Guardian and Neil Hamilton, MP and former Minister for Corporate Affairs.

The action, arising from accusa-tions in The Guardian that Hamilton accepted E2,000 from the Harrods owner Mohamed Al Fayed in return for placing parliamentary questions, could not have come at a worse time for either party of litigants.

Neither The Guardian nor Hamilton, who is fighting the case with the political lobbyist lan Greer, will be represented by their chosen counsels. George Carman, QC, who has been representing The Guardian, is booked in to perform on another action; Lord Williams of Mostyn, representing Hamilton, is involved with the Alan Sugar v Terry Venables case which falls during October.

"It was the only slot available for

this action, which isn't very satisfactory," said one solicitor. Carman is likely to be replaced

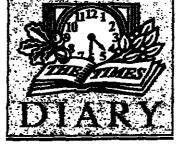


Big Bagel

FRESH from the British beaches where he has been trying to drum



"Pîck a eard — any identity card



up singlet-wearing Labour sup-porters, John Prescott will next month adapt to a more sophisticated campaigning style.

He is to be the star turn at a power breakfast in New York organised by those pre-eminent Britons in the city's media nest, Tina Brown and Harold Evans. No croissant and capuccino affair this. however: Britain's expatriates have insisted that the deputy Labour leader should be offered a mug of Tetley and a plate of bacon and eggs at the Royalton Hotel.

• GREY GOWRIE, chairman of the Arts Council, enjoyed the Edinbureh Festival this year as never before. He found himself watching a small dance company of two chaps and four women, which he describes as "the most intense (non-participatory) erotic experi-

ence of my life". Much moved, he advised a hovering usherette "to put up a notice banning men over 50 for fear of cardiac arrest".

Hi-Jacked

ON HER return from a cruise around the Greek islands with her family and the Prince of Wales, my sparring partner Tara Palmer Tomkinson appears to have wasted little time in picking a lunch date to boast about.

Yesterday the well-to-do model



Tara: hunch with hellraiser

popped out for a meal at San Lorenzo, a Knightsbridge haunt favoured by the Princess of Wales, with the heliraiser's hellraiser, Jack Nicholson. Jack, peaky after spending the previous night with a scantily-clad cast member of the appailing "erotic" musical Voyeurz, must have been overcome by Tara's intellect. For he whisked her straight away after lunch to the fancy jeweller Theo Fennell where he helped her to choose some baubles. And then it was on to a matinee of Twister, the cyclonic movie.

High hopes

THE Princess of Wales should put those plans to be a gobal ambasssador on hold. Yasuyoshi Tokuma has other ideas. Tokuma, chief executive officer of Japan's Tokuma group, is confident that he can persuade the Princess to take the part of Queen Victoria in his forthcoming Chinese-Japanese film. Onium War.

Clearly a man whose glass is al-ways half full, Tokuma is reputed to be offering a fee in the region of £1.8 million which would catapult the Princess above the likes of Holly Hunter and Andie MacDowell in the pay stakes. Should she drag her heels about the film, which is due to be released at about the



Rolling on: Keith Richards's old Bentley has been put up for sale

same time as Hong Kong is re-turned to the Chinese, the more media-friendly Duchess of York could certainly do with the money.

Rock car

NEXT month sees the auction at Christie's of a navy blue Bentley S3, former love wagon of the Rolling Stones guitarist Keith Richards. He bout the bought "Blue Lena" in 1966 and

used it to ferry his harem to his. mock-Tudor mansion in Sussex. The suspension has held up well in the light of Richards's rock-star shenanigans, while special features include a record player. According to one biographer: "Keith drove it with a lot of confidence. It boasted Turkish Embassy flags so that he

would never get pulled over by the

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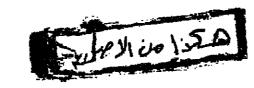
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TRIALS OF RAPE

The law on representation is not best changed in anger

A man who chooses to defend himself has a fool for his client - or so the lawyers like to say. Events this week in the Old Bailey demonstrate that folly can be the least of the iniquities when defendants dispense with professional representation. The decision by Ralston Edwards, convicted of rape yesterday, to conduct his own defence and cross-examine his victim forced a traumatised innocent woman through a second painful ordeal. There is understandable pressure to change the law to ensure that victims are protected from a repetition of these circumstances. It would be both dangerous and wrong if victims were deterred from coming forward by the prospect of such cross-examination and offenders thus remained at liberty.

Care must be taken, however, not to alter procedure in such a way as to deprive defendants of their historic and legitimate rights. The right of an accused man to speak in his own defence is entrenched in our legal tradition as indeed, until recently, was his right to remain silent and have no inference drawn. Debate in the past had concerned the right to representation. As Jeffrey Gordon notes opposite, the role of counsel has been extended over time. Moreover, the development of legal aid has reflected society's feeling that poverty should never be a barrier to effective professional help.

The idea that professional representation should move from being a right to a mandatory requirement in certain cases is a relatively recent innovation. Legislation passed in 1988 and amended in 1991 prevents the defendant cross-examining in person victims of violent offences under the age of 14 and victims of sexual offences under the age of 17. The ordeal inflicted by Ralston Edwards this week has inclined some to argue that women should be protected by the law which currently shields children.

It would be tempting, but probably

wrong, to move quickly to change the law. There are other safeguards for victims which might wisely be deployed first, from screens in court to prevent eye-contact and more vigorous intervention from the judge to prevent questions which are gratuitous or irrelevant. It is already the case that the victim's previous sexual history should not be admitted as evidence. Judges should not feel they have to give those who defend themselves greater leeway because of their lack of legal knowledge if that freedom is abused to pursue a line of inquiry which is unnecessarily offensive or intimidatory.

Eroding the rights of defendants to choose how, and whom, to conduct their own defence, no matter how compelling the circumstances of any one case, could tilt the careful halance of the scales of justice. It is wrong in principle and could lead to unforeseen consequences in practice. Some defendants in recent rape trials, notably Austen Donellan and Craig Charles, have only proved their innocence after the most difficult of processes. It would require careful thought before the rules of procedure could be changed in a way which might limit the defendants' freedom.

There is a stronger case for reviewing the whole nature of the law on sexual offences. It is more than 20 years since the Heilbron Committee conducted the last such examination. Its efforts led to subsequent changes in the law which granted anonymity to rape victims and altered the rules of evidence. The Law Commission could, with profit, examine how victims might be better protected without damaging the position of defendants. It should also study recent reforms abroad and consider all the delicate questions of consent. The impulse to ensure that no woman suffers as Mrs X did is natural and right but no one is served by anything other than a studied response after anger has cooled.

TORIES IN DEFEAT

The character of Opposition may shape its duration

This week on our pages three eminent historians — Robert Blake, John Grigg, and John Charmley - have looked at the circumstances in which the Conservatives entered opposition. Given that the party, either on its own or in coalition, has served in government for 70 of the past 100 years, . this examination has a special importance.

History is not, of course, a simple deterministic process, but the past does offer work of these scholars would suggest there are three distinct sets of occasion that have witnessed Conservative defeat, all with different implications for the time within which the party becomes a serious contender for office again.

In the first case, electoral loss was primarily instigated by public weariness with a prolonged stretch of Conservative rule or pronounced discontent with its performance. Internal discontent played a relatively modest role in proceedings. Such situations — 1929, 1964 or 1974 are examples allowed for the party to regroup, exploit

the mistakes of its opponents and be restored to former glory rather quickly. Even the catastrophic loss of 1945, widely blamed on the legacy of mass unemployment and failed appeasement, was reversed within six years in large degree because the party remained broadly united despite the Labour landslide.

The second type is far more serious. involving an additional serious internal schism, albeit one that falls short of major defections from the party. The classic example is the 1906 disaster where Joseph Chamberlain's relentless campaign for Tariff Reform ripped the Tories apart. It was ten years before Conservatives re-entered government and that as a result of war-time coalition. A full 16 passed before a general election produced a Commons majority and even here the fracturing of the Left between a Labour Party yet to reach full maturity and two competing Liberal parties was essential. In the final scenario divisions develop to

such a degree that many supporters depart altogether. The Tories have had no such debacle since 1846 when young Peelites such as William Gladstone crossed the floor after he dispute on the Corn Laws As a result. 29 years went by before a stable majority could be secured again. Similar ruptures afflicted the Liberals for two decades after the Home Rule crisis of 1886. In recent times the loss of the SDP in 1981 has helped to exclude Labour from Downing Street for nearly as

In the reason why the last two categories produce much longer periods in the wilderness is not hard to deduce. As Robert Blake put it, under our electoral rules it is a safe bet that a divided party will lose. Because such an internally incoherent force is unlikely to exercise authority with distinction, this discipline represents a relative advantage for the first-past-the-post system. While the issues of the single currency and political sovereignty associated with the EU have not yet reached the crisis proportions of 1846 or 1906, they clearly have the capacity to do so.

As nervous Conservatives approach the next contest, and ponder the possibilities of opposition, they might contemplate the lessons of history. If present disagreement on the nature of European policy can be solved no better from Opposition benches, then the party may be due an uncomfortably long occupation of them - unless the issue of Brussels proves as devastating for Tony Blair as it has already been for John Major.

TREASURE ISLANDS NO MORE

Tortoise versus man: mismatch on Darwin's Galapagos

We regret to report yet more bad news from the Galapagos islands, that distant archipelago in which our science once shared a home with our sentiment, but which has been allowed to grow ragged and unkempt by decades of breathtaking negligence.

A deadly virus has hit Charles Darwin's giant tortoises, threatening them with death on a disturbing scale. There are reports of the creatures perishing by the score, bleeding profusely under their shells and choking to death on a strange foam of their own secretion. Doctors, struggling against time to fight the illness, are hampered by a stark truth: they simply do not know what is causing the deaths. The gloomiest forecasters predict the extinction of an entire subspecies. Of the 15 subspecies which existed on the islands when Darwin landed in 1835, five have already disappeared.

The Galapagos islands are today in a miserable state, overrun by land-hungry settlers from the Ecuadorean mainland. Subsistence farmers, cheap-shack bar owners and ravenous goats all jostle for Lebensraum on land which is still one of the most cherished symbols of man's progress. For the ghastly decay of this common heritage of mankind, the Government of

Ecuador must take the blame squarely. Ecuador owes the world an explanation. Why were farmers allowed to settle on the Galapagos? Why was a garish, unplanned "service" industry for tourists allowed to spring up on the islands? Why, of all the mighty follies, were goats allowed to be introduced into this fragile, unique ecosystem? Did Quito not realise that these intruders on Darwin's laboratory would rob the Galapagos forever of the very qualities which draw tourists to them in the first place? As a result of the human presence, raging fires have broken out (as the one which devastated the island of Isabela in April 1994), animals hunted, giant tortoises poached for food and new sickness introduced. Ecuador has squandered the wealth of this insular treasure trove.

It is never easy to reconcile the preservation of a fragile environment with the need of an impoverished population to make a living. But the options chosen by Quito have been the very worst of all: the population is still no richer, while the Galapagos islands are now considerably, and perhaps irretrievably, poorer. If the tortoises die, the islands will not be a destination of any substance.

The new Ecuadorian Government must give urgent consideration to a break with the past Legislators in Quito must amend the country's Constitution, which entitles any citizen to settle in any part of the country as of right. This right of settlement ought not to extend to the singular ecosystem of the Galapagos. Darwin's tortoises, and their age-old companions of the Enchanted Isles, deserve to be left to live as they have for thousands of years. Man does not belong there, except as a heftily charged, carefully supervised day-tripper on a boat.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Crown and State

From Mr Bill Kearns

Sir. You report today Lord Blake asking "why change an institution [the monarchy] which has worked for cen-

The proposition that it has worked is itself debatable, but above all it should be abolished at the end of the present Queen's tenure because the institution is and always has been incompatible with democracy.

Yours ever BILL KEARNS, Il Court Royal Mews, Northlands Road. Southampton, Hampshire. August 20,

From the President of Australians for Constitutional Monarchy (L'K Branch)

Sir. The publicity being given to reforms of the constitutional monarchy in Britain must surely demonstrate both the adaptability and responsiveness of the Crown as a political institu-

Of course, it is not a matter only for the Royal Family, as all subjects have a vested interest in maintaining the Crown's position in the constitution as a guardian of the whole public interest against the activities of partisan gov-

But it is nevertheless salutary to contemplate the ability of such a denigrated institution, in consultation with the party politicians, openly to discuss further restrictions to its traditional powers and privileges. What politician would ever contemplate a decrease in his or her own power and prestige?

Reforming the inessentials will give hope to many in the Commonwealth that specious objections to the present constitutional monarchies in Australia, Canada, New Zealand and elsewhere will now fade away.

Republicans will certainly have to come up with more substantial arguments to demonstrate why abolition of constitutional monarchies will be an improvement, something they have so far conspicuously failed to do.

Yours faithfully, MATTHEW WHITE, President, Australians for Constitutional Monarchy (UK Branch). c/o i0 Fowlmere Road. Shepreth, Nr Royston, Hertfordshire. August 20.

From Mr J. D. C. Harte

Sir. The most deeply embedded aspect of the establishment of the Church of England is its role as custodian of a major part of the national heritage.

Around half of Grade I listed buildings alone consist of cathedrals and parish churches. Unravelling the special law on historic church property would be a truly monumental task.

In a secular society, establishment may eventually be reduced to state recognition of the Church of England as a custodian of the national heritage akin to English Heritage and the National Trust. However, if such a custodian is to remain part of the Christian Church, its relationship with the State must include legal recognition of its religious nature.

The national Church could doubtless be deprived of its role as guardian of its buildings or it could be changed into a secular body for holding those buildings, some of which would still be used by religious congregations. In either event it would be more accurate to speak of dissolution of the Church of England than "disestablishment"

as does your report (August 20).
The relationship with the monarchy is a very different matter. If talk of disestablishment really means separation from a formal relationship with the Christian Church it would be more accurate to refer to that as secularisation of the Crown.

Yours faithfully. DAVID HARTE (Senior Lecturer), Newcastle Law School, University of Newcastle, 21-24 Windsor Terrace, Newcastle upon Tyne. August 20.

From Mr Henry von Blumenthal

Sir, I am in favour of abolishing the Civil List. The present system benefits the taxpayer at the expense of the Queen, but enables mischievous journalists to claim the opposite. The Queen therefore gets the worst of both worlds, and as a taxpayer I am willing to take what will amount to a small personal financial loss to remedy the obvious injustice.

I remain, Sir, your obedient servant, HENRY von BLUMENTHAL (Council member). The Monarchist League, BM Monarchist. London WCIN 3XX. August 20.

From Mrs Jennifer Miller

Sir, Although the invaluable public work of some dozen members of the Royal Family ("Shrinking the clan". August 20) is given in the Court Circular, it should not be forgotten that the engagements of Prince and Princess Michael of Kent are not listed therein.

They also conform to the usual high standard of our monarchy by fulfilling a number of engagements for good causes, and acting as patrons for various charities.

Yours faithfully. JENNIFER MILLER, 2 Heathview Gardens, Putney, SW15. August 20.

Changing roles of Economic solution to Jordan unrest

From Dr M. Riad el-Ghonemy

Sir. Your report of August 19 suggests that things are returning to normal in Jordan after the bread riots were suppressed with "an iron fist".

This incident, like those occurring in other countries, suggests the failure of governments and the International Monetary Fund (IMF) to understand that, in the absence of special measures to protect the poor, economic reforms in general and the removal of food subsidies in particular, have a sociai cost.

Such measures usually result in greater inequalities and a sharp rise in unemployment and poverty. In the case of the removal of the bread subsidy, there is often a failure to appreciate its special importance, expressed by the Arabic word for bread — eish — meaning life and survival.

Bread rioting in Jordan provides a typical example of the response of the poor to economic hardship caused by a tremendous rise in living costs. The Government, instead of blaming foreign elements for instigating bread riots, would find the real cause on page 44 of the Arabic version of its excellent Economic and Social Development Plan, 1993-97, which singles out Karak, where riots began on August 16, as having the highest level of abso-

lute poverty in the country. From the family expenditure sur-

From the Vice-President of the Law Society

Reform of civil law

Sir, Raising the small claims limit to £25,000, as Mr T. M. Halliwell suggests (letter, August 14), is not the way to increase access to justice, particularly if the Legal Aid Board persist in their present view that cases being dealt with by arbitration do not merit legal aid. Going to court, whether arbitration or trial, is a difficult and stressful experience for most people and many will simply not pursue cases without legal help.

If costs are not recoverable from the losing party at all (as is presently the case in the small claims court) only those with claims at the upper end of the value spectrum or the confident citizen will seek justice from the courts.

There is already evidence from the National Audit Office study on small claims that unrepresented plaintiffs fare badly against represented defendants. Increasing the small claims limit could easily be a charter for the well resourced litigant to defeat the

Moreover, Mr Halliwell may have misunderstood Lord Woolf's propos-

litigated for costs which are proportionate.

only recommending limits on costs recovered from the other party, not solicitor and own-client costs. So litigants will be free to judge the costs-benefit equation themselves, and pay their own solicitor more if they think the case merits it. Both Professor Zander ("Woolf re-

port in sheep's clothing", Law, August and Mr Halliwell should listen to the views of consumer organisations and those they represent. They strongly support Lord Woolf's attempts to level the playing field. Provided that the procedures on the fast track, and the fixed costs, are fair and reasonable, the Law Society does so too.

Yours faithfully, Vice-President,

Security of clergy

From the Reverend John Camp

Sir. The Bishop of Barking (letter, August 17) is undoubtedly right to ask that the House of Bishops should consider the question of the security of clergy.

One particular matter of concern is

the lack of training for clergy in dealing with people with mental disor-As a psychiatric hospital chaplain I

occasionally speak to gatherings of clergy about mental illness and I am consistently dismayed at the lack of knowledge revealed.

Moreover, some clergy seem to think that they acquired expertise in this area automatically when hands were laid upon them at ordination. It is not so; and, while there is no substitute for experience, better education would at least provide an awareness of some of the problems which can arise and how to deal with them.

Yours faithfully. JOHN CAMP (Chaplain). St Andrew's Hospital, Billing Road, Northampton. August 17.

Informal degrees?

From Mr F. Lefley Sir, I have today received a prospectus

from one of the "new universities". Humberside University. To my dismay, I find that some degrees are being offered without formal examination. For example, BA(Hons) Architecture, Assessment: "There are no conventional written examinations because the subject is better suited to assessment by assignments and design projects." BA(Hons) Interior Design. Assessment: "Critique and reviews of design projects and final show degree work." In my opinion, the granting of any

bachelor degree without some kind of formal examination debases the value of that degree. What guarantee is there that the assignment work is the actual work of an individual student? Where is the academic rigour?

Yours sincerely, F. LEFLEY, Sandwood, Millhouse Lane, Hook Road, Goole, East Yorkshire. August 19.

Business letters, page 29

Because of the delays resulting from the postal strikes it would be useful, where possible, if letters intended for publication could be faxed to 0171 782 5046.

or less than i per cent of total government expenditures, is required to maintain bread subsidy for this poor-est section of the population only. If budget spending cuts are essential, this meagre amount could easily be taken from other non-essential

items such as military and foreigndebt interest payments, which absorbed 43 per cent of the total budget of 1991-92, published by the IMF in 1993. Jordan should learn from the bitter experiences of Egypt, Morocco and Tunisia and say no to the IMF with regard to the removal of bread subsidy,

veys of 1987 and 1992, and based on the

share of the poorest fifth of the popula-tion of the total bread subsidy. I esti-

mate that only eight million Jordan-

ian dinars (approximately £7 million).

and learn from Tunisia how to protect the poor during structural adjustment. The government solution of the bread-riot crisis by way of military oppression. imprisonment of rioters without trial and dissolving parliament is unfortunate so soon after the successful Jordanian experiment with parliamentary democracy.

Yours faithfully, M. R. el-GHONEMY (Senior Research Associate). International Development Centre, University of Oxford, 21 St Giles, Oxford. August 20.

als. Only the more straightforward claims with a value of under £10,000 will be allocated to the fast track: the simpler procedures, the plaintiff's offer to settle, and tougher sanctions for failing to comply with timetables should all mean that cases can be

But, in any event, Lord Woolf is

PHILLIP SYCAMORE. 113 Chancery Lane, WC2.

Numberplate envy

From Mrs Margaret Milne

Sir, This morning I was appalled to receive, with the annual renewal form for my vehicle licence, a leaflet from the DVLA promoting the purchase of a personalised numberplate, worded as follows: "You know how envious people are when you get a new car. Well this year really rub it in".

What kind of people are they trying to turn us into? Envy was always one of the seven deadly sins of our moral heritage and to encourage us to stimulate envy in others I find irresponsible and offensive.

Yours faithfully, MARGARET MILNE, 26 West Park Avenue, Roundhay, Leeds, West Yorkshire. August 15.

Test of memory

From Mr L. P. Howett Sir, In a week in which Mike Atherton

turned his arm over at Headingley, and the crossword was the subject of correspondence in your columns (August 8, 9, 13), it seems appropriate to recall a clue which appeared some 40 years ago and which was, if memory serves: "Floral decorations by which Dr Spooner appears to report an unusual event in a Test Match." The answer, of course, was "Button-

Yours faithfully, L. P. HOWETT.

10 Hamels Mansion, Hamels Park, Buntingford, Hertfordshire. August 16.

The 1906 election From Mr John Grigg

Sir, As edited, my feature on the 1906 election (August 21) included the statement (not mine) that Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman "died in office" as Prime Minister, "to be succeeded by

Campbell-Bannerman did not, in fact, die in office, though he left it a dying man. His letter of resignation was accepted by King Edward VII on April 3, 1908, and the following day the King wrote — from Biarritz, where he was staying — to H. H. Asquith. asking him to form a government.

Since the King was unwilling to return from Biarritz, for which he was much criticised at the time, Asquith had to travel there to kiss hands on April 8. Campbell-Bannerman died on April 22.

Yours faithfully. JOHN GRIGG. Rockmore, Newcastle, County Down.

Stars and flags on identity cards

From Mr Jeremy Stanford

Sir, Ultimately the Government has only itself to blame, in compounding its errors of judgment over the issue of a national identity card, by trying to combine it with the new European driving licence to be issued next year.

If such a card is eventually issued as proposed (report, August 22; see also letters. August 20), Britain will become the only country in the Euro-pean Union in which its citizens' national identity card promotes the European flag. Most European identity cards carry no flag at all, merely a national symbol. Belgium's card, for example, carries its royal coat-of-

The best advice to Michael Howard would be to develop amnesia over the wholly unnecessary national identity card project, which cannot be justified on the grounds of being effective against crime and arouses anger and suspicion amongst patriots, libertarians and minorities alike.

Yours faithfully. JEREMY STANFORD, Flat 3, 306 Fulham Road, SW10. August 22.

From Mr Gerard Finan

Sir. All the squawking and whining about identity cards and flags, European stars and national sensitivities, amazes me.

I was born and educated in Britain but have spent the past 35 years in Germany, the last 15 of them as a German citizen. Only when passing through immigration at European airports, at the post office when collecting a parcel or in comparable circumstances, have I been asked to show my identity card, which contains my name, address, date and place of birth and photograph. It also has a barely recognisable green eagle

as the national emblem. Even British citizens are sometimes required to supply their name and address. The only difference is that my information is reliable and verifiable because everyone has to be registered with their municipal authorities. This makes it easier to trace people, which can be very helpful in emergencies.

Of course the British have this "tradition" of privacy. But surely only people with something criminal to hide need fear the police? Let us jettison some of the misguided and hypocritical liberalistic ideology of yesteryear. Let there be compulsory ID cards for the good of law-abiding citi-

Yours faithfully. GERARD FINAN. Abstrasse 33, 53225 Bonn.

From Mr Charles Hope

Sir, I still have my "National Identity Card" issued in Edinburgh in 1940. The only indication of "which nation" is given by the Scottish royal arms on the front cover.

If, when our backs were to the wall, the distinction could be made between the constituent nations of the UK surely the situation could be resolved in a similar way when there is no such pressure.

CHARLES HOPE. Woodside, Ockham Road North, West Horsley, Surrey. August 20.

Judaism in Ukraine

From Ms Linda Kann

Sir. Your article on anti-Semitism in the Ukraine (August 19) needs to be put in the perspective of the wonderful resurgence of Judaism which is also taking place there.
This organisation's Exodus 2000

committee, formerly dedicated to assisting refuseniks to leave the USSR, supports several burgeoning Reform Jewish communities in the Ukraine. Russia and other countries of the former USSR. A number of our synagogues here are in direct contact with emerging groups of young Jews who, notwithstanding a history of tsarist and communist persecution, wish to remain in Eastern Europe and build Jewish life there. They are enjoying some small success.

At our Leo Baeck college for progressive rabbinical training there are young Russian and Ukrainian students of both sexes who intend, on ordination, to return home and minister to new communities. Anti-Semitism has never succeeded in extinguishing the eternal flame of Jewish faith and will not do so now.

Yours faithfully. LINDA KANN (Co-ordinator, Exodus 2000), Reform Synagogues of Great Britain, 80 East End Road, Finchley, N3. August 20.

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Fashion victim

From Mrs Karen Taylor

Sir, Having read that a baby is now the ultimate male fashion accessory. especially when dressed like daddy (Style, "It's cool to be a daddy", August 14), I have a problem. I refuse to put my five-month-old son in jeans, so can someone please tell me where I can purchase an all-in-one sailor suit to fit a 6ft 2in, 15-stone man?

Yours faithfully, K. Y. TAYLOR, 3 Rectory Court, Old Banwell Road, Locking, Somerset,

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University news

Oxford The Renwick Vickers Dermatology Prize 1996 has been awarded to Katrina Louise Smith, Jesus College.

The British Telecom Research and Technology Prize for Computing Science 1996 has been awarded to Joy A. Goodman. University College. Junior Mathematical Prize

The examiners in the Hunour School of Mathematics have awarded the prize for 1996 to Jan Bernard Gutowski, Keble College, and James Robert Oakley, St Edmund Hall. Proxime accesserunt: John Ernest Thanassoulis, St Anne's College, and Juliette Victoria White, Worcester

The Mathematical examiners in the Honour School of Mathematics and Computation and of Mathematics and Philosophy have awarded a fourth junior mathematical prize to George Edward Metcalfe, St Anne's College, for outstanding performance in the mathematical papers in the Honour School of Mathe-matics and Philosophy.

Company of Joiners and Ceilers

The following have been installed officers of the Company of Joiners and Ceilers for

the ensuing year: Master, Mr Stewart K. Riddick: Upper Warden, Mr Clive A. Capel; Renter Warden. Mr Thomas F.K. Boucher.

Birthdays today

Daily Express, 40; Mr Graeme Bowler, chief executive, Kwik Save, 59; Mr Dale Campbell-Savours, MP, 53; Mr Geoff Capes, shot putter, 47; Mr Joseph E. Connor, former chairman, Price Waterhouse World Firm. 65; Sir Alan Cox. chief executive. ASW Hold-ings, 60: Sir Robert Crichton-Brown, former chairman, Rothmans International, 77: Dr Carl Dolmetsch, director, Haslemere Festival, 85; Sir John Fairclough, former Chief Scientific Adviser to the Cabinet Office, 66; Dr John Ford, chief executive, DVLA, 60; Mr Alexander Gilmour, former chairman, National Playing Fields Association. 65: Sir John Hoskyns, chairman, Emap. 69.

Mr Richard Addis, Editor,

Lord Kissin, 84; Mr Stanley Kitchen, chartered accountant. 83: Commandant Anthea Larken, former director, WRNS, 58: Mr Peter Lilley. Secretary of State for Social Security, 53: Mr Frank Lowe, advertising consultant, 55; Mr Christopher Martin, Headmaster, Millfield School, 58; Dr Onora O'Neill, Principal, Newnham College, Cambridge, 55

Sir Brian Pearse, chairman Lucas Industries, 63; Mr Bob Peck. actor, 51: Mr James Quinn, former director, British Film Institute, 77: Miss Helen Rees, former director, Design Museum, 36; Mr John Rocha, fashion designer, 42: Mr Willy Russell, author, 49; Sir Roy Strong, former director, Victoria and Albert Museum, 61; Mr Peter Thomson. golfer, 67: Field Marshal Sir Richard Vincent (life peer), 65; Mr Charles Wardle, MP. 57; Sir Brian Young, former chairman. Christian Aid,

Church news

Resignations and

retirements Canon Maurice Green, Vicar, Swallham, an Honorary Canon of Norwich Cathedral, and Chaplain to Swaffham

retire Sentember 3() The Rev Robert Lee, Rector, Gislingham (St Edmundsbury and Ipswich): to retire August

Cottage Hospital (Norwich): to

The Rev Reginald Macklin, Rector, Little Downbarn w

lain of St Albans's, Copenhagen, Denmark (Europe): to retire September 30.

The Rev Bernard Robson, Assistant Curate, Dagenham, St Peter and St Paul (Chelmsford): to retire March I, 1997. Canon Gordon Sealy, Vicar, Leicester St Paul (Leicester): to

retire October 31. The Rev Stephen Taylor. Rector, Little Shelford w Newton (Ely): to retire November 30. Canon Ted Wetherall, Assis-Coveney (Ely): to retire Sep- tant Chaplain, St Paul's, Athens, Greece (Europe): to retire Canon David Prosser, Chap- September 30.

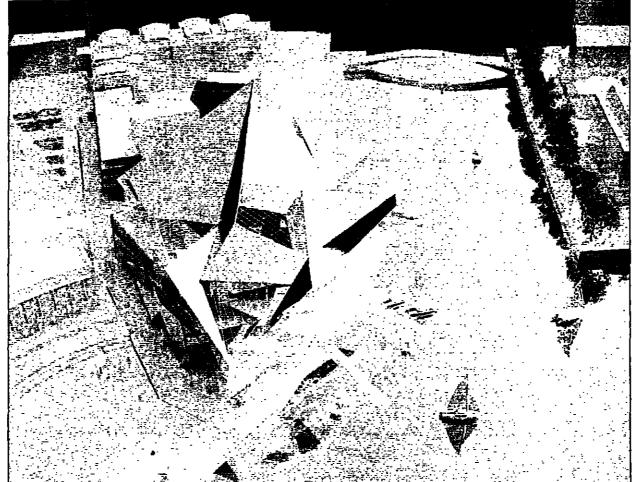
Anniversaries

BIRTHS: Louis XVI, King of cist, Paris, 1806; Alexander France 1774-93, Versailles, Wilson, ornithologist and 1754: Sir Astley Cooper, surgeon. Brook Hall, Norfolk, 1768; Arnold Toynbee, social philosopher, London, 1852; Eleutherios Venizelos, five times Prime Minister of Greece, Crete, 1864; Sir Henry Tizard, scientist, Gillingham, Kent, 1885; Constant Lambert. composer, London, 1905; Keith Moon, rock drummer, Wembley, 1947.

DEATHS: Sir William Wallace. Scottish patriot, executed, London, 1305: Luis de Leon, mystic and poet, Madrigal de las Atlas, Spain, 1591; George Villiers, 1st Duke of Buckingham, statesman and royal favourite, assassinated, Portsmouth, to28: Charles Augustin de Coulomb, physiWilson, ornithologist and poet, Philadelphia, 1813; Rudolph Valentino, silent film actor, New York, 1926; Adolf Loos, architect. Vienna, 1933; Roy Chadwick, aeronautical engineer, killed on a test flight, 1947; Roger Martin du Gard, novelist, Nobel laureate 1937, Normandy, 1958; Oscar Hammerstein II. song writer. Doylestown. Pennsylvania. The Visigoths sacked Rome,

AD410. Nicola Saon and Bartolomeo Vanzetti. Italian-born anarchists living in America, were wrongly sent to the electric chair after being convicted of a payroll robbery, 1927.

The Blitz on London began,



This model of the arts centre for Bristol shows its fragmented, sculptural design — like a house of cards collapsing

Dramatic arts centre design unveiled

By MARCUS BINNEY ARCHITECTURE CORRESPONDENT

A JAW-STOPPING design for a £100 million new performing arts centre on waterfront was unveiled

The fragmented, sculptural design, which could be likened to a house of cards at the moment of sudden violent collapse, dispenses with all regulation and symmetry in favour of jagged outline, tilting walls and windows and a cascading zigzag roof.

The design is the work of a German firm Behnisch and Partners of Stuttgart, architects of Munich's highly acclaimed Olympic Stadium and the new Parliament Building in Bonn, which has a similar radical. Deconstructionist

The project architect, and creative brains behind the scheme, is a young Englishman aged 30, David Cook, who joined the firm three and a half years ago just after qualifying as an architect. He said: "This practice has a tradition of employing very young designers over 25 years. We are very international, French, Italian, Swedish, American, Canadian and Australian."

The new centre will contain a 2,300-

seat concert hall and a 450-seat dance theatre. It will stand across the water from the Arnolfini Centre, next to Bristol's two major projects, Wild Screen and Science World, financed by the

Millennium Commission.
Mr Stefan Behnisch says: "Our aim is to create a building that shimmers by day and blows at night. At night, foyers and restaurants, hanging out over the harbour, will be dramatically reflected, with upside-down views of colourful painted ceilings visible through the floor-to-ceiling glass. "I want people on the other side of the harbour to see what's going on inside," Mr Cook

explained. Compared with the controversy over th e V&A boiler house and the Cardiff Bay Opera House, the Bristol Centre looks set to have a comparatively easy ride. The site is currently a car park and cries out for an adventurous design. The project has all-party support. The leader of the city council said: "The architects have responded brilliantly to the brief." Mr Cook said: "The response in Bristol has been amazing. I had been looking forward to a few brickbats but so far there haven't been any."

The architects won the commission from a shortlist that included Sir Norman Foster, Sir Michael Hopkins, Nicholas Grimshaw, Allies and Morrison, David Chipperfield and the Los Angeles firm of Barton Myers.

The Arts Council has already provided E375.000 for a feasibility study. The promoters, a joint venture company formed by the city council and private enterprise, hope to receive Arts Council funding of 75 per cent towards the £98.7 million cost (actual construction is £66 million). Matching funds will come in part from the city's donation of land with £7 million still to be raised by appeal. If approved, the project will put Bristol

ahead of all other cities, including London, in the scale and ambitiousness of wholly new buildings. The promoters hope for the go-ahead from the Arts Council early next year, allowing the centre to open in the autumn of 2001.

Mr Cook says that since he has been working in Stuttgart, he has come to admire German Expressionist architects such as Eric Mendelssohn (who designed the De La Warr Pavilion at Berhill-on-Sea) and Hans Scharoun. Ten years ago Mr Cook's design might

have been likened to a model devastated by fierce karate chops, but today it looks set to win the approval of pundits and public alike.

Council for Licensed Conveyancers

CLC Examination Results - June

The following have successfully passed the Council for Licensed Conveyancers Summer 1996

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M Bailey, Nottingham; L Bates. Newmarket: E Beard. Tunbridge Wells; M Bicknell. Horsham; S Bowerman, Billericay; C Breidenbach, Stocknort: J Bromley, Saffron Walden: A Browning.

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R Lowthian, Middlewhich; J Mac-Donald, Stoke on Trent: A Malloy, Cheltenham: M Martin Halstead Mehta. Wembley: K Playle, Ilford; D Popely, Bishop's Stortford; H Reeve, Blackmore; K Raymond Crewe: J Sexton, Cheltenham; B Taylor. Upminster; M Thompson, London: S Weston, Forest Hill: C Worley, Rumford: R Yemm, Lydney.

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Forthcoming marriages

Captain E.M. Brown and Miss T. Pertwee

The engagement is announced between Ewan, son of Mr and Mrs J. Noel Brown. of Edinburgh, and Tara, daughter of the late Mr Michael Pertwee and of Mrs Michael Pertwee, of Barnes,

London. Mr J.E. Barker

and Miss E.A. Fanc The engagement is announced between John, twin son of the late Mr and Mrs Philip Barker, of Epping, Essex, and Elizabeth, elder daughter of the late Mr and Mrs Frederick Fane, of Kelvedon Hatch, Essex.

Mr P.P. Dawson

and Miss C.A. Vasey
The engagement is announced between Perer, only son of Mr and Mrs Ralph Dawson, of Newcastle upon Tyne, and Chela, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs Terry Vasey, of Maidenhead.

Mr J.A. Drabble and Miss C.N. Hasler The engagement is announced between James, eldest son of Mr perween James, endest son of Mr James Drabble, of Bow Brickhill, Buckinghamshire, and Mrs Anne Bugot, of Brockdish, Norfolk, and Clare, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs John Halser, of Blackmore,

Mr B.H. Dreesmann and Miss F. Sleeman

The engagement is announced between Bernard Henry, son of Mr and Mrs B.H. Dreesmann. of Theoule, South of France, and Fiona, daughter of Mr David Sleeman, of Bray, Berkshire, and Mrs Norma Sleeman, of Long

Load, Somerset. Mr P.R.S. Fane

and Miss D.E. Harris The engagement is announced between Peter, younger son of Mrs Valerie Fane and the late Mr Robert Fane, of Hoo, Suffolk, and Dorothy, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Thomas Harris, of Brighton,

Mr P.L. Grice and Miss K.J. Savill

The engagement is announced between Peter, only son of Mr and Mrs Samuel Grice, of Cambridge. and Kerry, daughter of Mr and Mrs Roger Savill, of Leicester. Major M. Rees-Davies and Miss E.L. Saunders -

The engagement is announced between Major Martin Rees-Davies, The Life Guards, eldest son of Mr and Mrs Maurice Rees-Davies, of Midsomer Norton, Bath, and Emma, elder daughter of Mr Nicholas Saunders, of Buckinghamshire and Mrs Tom Goodearl, of Kingswear, DartMr N.W. Hewlett and Miss I.M. Grimberg

The engagement is announced between Neil, son of Mr and Mrs Nigel Hewlett, of Wantage, Oxfordshire and Irene, daughter of Mr and Mrs Ton Grimberg, of Ryswyk, The Netherlands. Mr M.P.C. Jones

and Miss A.S.F. Bale The engagement is announced between Matthew, youngest son of Jurat and Mrs Colin Jones, of Le Taillis Farm, Jersey, and Annalisa, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Roger Bale, of Rocque Berg, jersey.

Mr R.A. Kelvey and Miss L.A. Sida The engagement is announced and the marriage will take place in London, in September, between Robert Adam, son of Mr and Mrs S.R. Kelvey, of Bishop's Stortford, Hertfordshire, and Louise Arny. daughter of Mr and Mrs G. Sida

also of Bishop's Stortford. Major A.J. Leslie and Ms D.S. Hilton The engagement is announced between Major Alexander John Leslie, Royal Tank Regiment, son of Mr and Mrs John Leslie, and

Debra Suzanne, daughter of Group Captain and Mrs Peter Hilton. Mr T.C. Morris and Señorita P.I. Tena Garcia

and senoria 1.1. Item dates the engagement is announced between Timothy, younger son of the late Major Anthony Morris, and of Mrs Anthony Morris, of Sherrington. Wiltshire, and Patricia, youngest daughter of the late Ambassador Juan Ignacio Tena and of the late Señora Pilar Garcia-Norena, of Madrid.

The Hon J.H.A. Pakington and Miss S.E.E. Caldato
The engagement is announced between Johnnie. son of Lord and Lady Hampton, of Bovey Tracey, Devon, and Siena, daughter of Remo and Cherry Caldato, of

Marriages

Captain P.V. Fountaine, RE, and Miss J.I. Sandford The marriage took place on August 17. 1996. in Aldershot, of Captain Paul Fountaine, youngest son of Mr and Mrs BJ. Fountaine, of Kenilworth, to Miss Joanne Sandford, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs N.J. Sandford, of Exeter. Mr A.L. Wildblood and Miss D.E. Perkins

The marriage took place on Thursday, August 22, of Mr Andrew, Wildblood to Miss Diane Perkins The bride was attended by Miss Joanna dE Burgh Galwey, Mr Peter Lane was best man.

Latest wills

Patrick Joseph Murphy. of Busby, Leicestershire, left estate valued at £19,690,990 net. He left his estate mainly to his

John Walter (Jack) Withers, of Knowle, Solihull, West Midlands, left estate valued at

£999.169 net. Godfrey Charles MacKaness, of Bewdley, Worcester, left estate valued at £1,126,082 net. Harry Clifford Hoyle, of Grenoside, Sheffield, left estate valued at £1,359,634 net. Sydney Harold Ewan, of Hartlepool, left estate valued

at £1,203,338 net. Norman Cooknell, of Blyth. Northumberland, left estate valued at £1.316,343 net.

Herbert Jones, of Disley, Cheshire, left estate valued at £1,238,938 net. He left 0.5 per cent of his residuary estate to the imperial Cancer Research Fund, and the same amount to the Royal National institute for the Blind.

Andrew Roy Leach, of Christleton, Chester, left estate valued at £1.002,794 net. Margaret Mallaber, of Oxton, Birkenhead. Merseyside, left estate valued at £1,265,824 net.

Francis Adlington Stokes, of Epperstone, Nottingham-

shire, left estate valued at

£994,118 net. He left £500 to each of the following:

Peter Alan Crew, of Newport,

Shropshire, left estate valued at £1,894,500 net. Mary Gwyneth Bridgnorth, Shropshire, left estate valued at £1,114,300 net. State Value of Elijit-Boo liet. She left 55,000 each to: Gardeners' Royal Benevolent Society, Royal Agricultural Benevolent Institution. Animal Trust, PCC of Chelmarsh Parish Church.

Philip Hugo Scoones, of Haywards Heath, West Sussex. left estate valued at £1,285,308

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He left £500 to each of the following-imperial Cancer Research Fund.
Royal National Lifeboat Institution,
British Heart Foundation.

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Greenwich, his oit paintings of a
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the Blind. National Trust. Boys
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Queenie Minnie Lillian Chapman. of Lower Kingswood, Surrey, left estate valued at El.174,291 net.

Daphne Ida Crowe, of Burwood Park, Walton-on-Thames, Surrey, left estate valued at £1,172,811 net.

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RUCKMAIL - On August 19th 1996, to Ali (née Blackford) and Richard, a son, Jake Casper Lowndes.

Casper Lowness.

BUHKE - On Friday August

16th, Jessica Mary, at The
Queen Elizaboth Hospital,
Kings Lynn, to Jane (née
Sumner) and Mark. A
beautiful sister for William.
Many thanks to all the staff
on Brancaster Ward.

OR Brancisco: Francisco DOPER - On 22nd August, to Helen (née Stapleton) and Bon, a daughter, Isabol Mary.

Ben, a daugnter, isabol Mary. COWLEY - On 16th August 1996, to Rebecca (26e Weathorby) and Glies, a son, Fergus Richard Hampdez, a brother for Olivia.

REAMER - On Angust 20th 1996, to Katherino (née Butter) and Daniel, a daughter, Robecca Mary.

GABBIEL - On August 20th 1976, in Oxford, to Els Boosen and Jim a son, to Zoe a brother, Thomas Christophez, Welcome!

BIRTHS

That was why the gospet was preached even to the dead: In order that, although they were condemned to die as everyone dies, yet in the spirit they might live as God BIRTHS

BARNES - On August 20th 1996, to Frances (nec Stokes) and Paul, a son,

BATESON - On August 18th, to Diago (nee Thompson) and Richard, a son, David, a brother for Katherine and BICKFORD - On 19th August at Trebiske Hospital, Trure, a daughter, Freya Normandie to Paul and Candy (née Howard-Williams).

THE TIMES

BIRTH AND DEATH NOTICES

To place your Birth or Death Notices over the August Bank Holiday please call during the following times. Saturday 24th August 9.30am - 12.30pm ices will appear on Tuesday 27th August) Tel: 0585 853062

Monday 26th August 10.00am - 12.30pm (Notices will appear on Tuesday 27th August) Tel: 0171 782 7750 Or Fax: 0171 782 7730 before 12pm Tuesday

GOODWIN - On August 16th at The Portland Hospitel, to Sally (née Walsh) and Philip, a beautiful daughter, Rosie, a sister for Emily.

BIRTHS

JAFFE - On 22nd August, to Susan Guinnane and David Juffe of Molbourne, Australia, a daughter, Rebecca Alice.

LANGMAN - On August 19th, to Mary-Anne (nee Leach) and Simon, a daughter, Olivia Sophic, a sister for Rory. LEWIS - On August 20th 1996 at The Friarage, Northalierton, at 12.17 pm, to our daughter Jenny, Love you always Tina, Dave and joe.

NOSLE - On August 7th 1996, to Reien (use Judge) and Tim, a daughter, Amelia Holon, a sister to Luchda. RUBENS - On 14th August 1996, to Jasmine (née Groome) and Shmon, 2 son, August (Gus).

THOMPSON - On August 18th, to Emma (née Fiercher) and Neil, a daughter, Madeline Elizabeth Marshall, a sister for Lily. WIGGIN - On August 20th 1996. at St. Thomas' Hospital, to Emma (née Burrowes) and David, a soa, Micholas Peter, a brother for

MARRIAGES DEATHS TURNER: MACINNES - On Tuesday 6th Angust 1996 at Gretna Green, Scotland, Mr Graham Turner of Brentwood, and Miss Joanne Macinnes of Challeston

APPLETON - On 20th August 1996 peacefully at Windlesham Manor, Crowborough, Constance Margaret aged 96 years. Deady loved wife of the late Rowland and much loved mother of John. Thanksgiving Sorvice at All Saints Church, Crowborough on Friday. 20th August 21

Saints Church, Crowborough on Friday, 30th August at 2.30 pm followed by pulvate cremation. Family flowers only, but donations if desired to Church Pasteral Add Society clo Paul Bysouth Faneral Services, Crowborough, tel: (01892) 655000. BRAY - Rosemary. Wife of the late Rupert of Ropley, Hampshire, on August 14th peacefully at home. A Memorial Service will be held at St Peter's Church, Ropley, on Thusday August 29th at 2 pm. No flowers please. Denations may be made to British Heart Foundation.

RUXHER-RANDALL - Nichard MINKER-RANDALL - Richard Neville, died pescefully on 19th August at the Tunbridge Wells Nuffield Hospital after a long Illness fought with courage and digaty. Father of Simon and Paul, grandfather of Charles, will be zadly missed by family and friends Memorial Service 2.30 pm Tuesday 27th August at St Alban's, Frant, with music people of the Charles of St Dunstan's, Mayfield.

CARREY - Edward James Died peacefully on 17th August aged 55. Adored and treasured father of Kellis and Darryl, brother of Charles, Neil, Joanne, Isabel, Mary and late sister Catherine. Cherished and beloved partner and soulmans of Syld! For funeral details contact Leverton & Sons Ltd. (0171) 485-1969. Will be greatly missed and loved by all.
CARRESY - Francis Anthony Roberts MA PhD aged 96 peacefully on 21st August at Truscott Manor, East Grinstead. Nuch loved father, grandfather and great-grandfather. Private cremation.

PERSONAL COLUMN

COLLINS - Peacefully on August 16th 1996 Amelie Joan aged 93 years. Much Jowed by family and Irlemda. Feareral Service at St. Edward's Church, Corfe Carrie, Dorset on Honday 2nd September at 230 pm. Flowers or if preferred donations for St. Edward's donations for St. Edward's donations for St Edward's Christh Roof Repair Fund clo Colin J. Close Funeral Service, 18 Salisbury Street. Blandford, Dorset. Yel: (01258) 453133.

EVANS - Shells (nés Mason), widow of Rev. Godfrey Evans, in her 90th year on Tuesday 20th August. Very much loved mother of David, Michael and Marcus and grandmother of Charlotte, Alexandra, Susannah, Demainte, Oliver and Fellix Private cremntion on Wednesday 28th August followed by Thanksgiving Service at 230 pm at 8th Bannabes Church, Easterton, Devices, Wiltshite, Flewers (not wreaths) by 930 am to the) by 9.30 am to abe, 27 New Park rvines (01380 722 (pot wreat Winchcom

DEATHS HODSOM - Nancy (née Pertington), suddenly but peacefully on August 22nd in hospital in Ipswich sped 74. Beloved wife of the late Frank and dearly loved mother of Andrew and Sarah (Gammon), mother-da-law of David, treasured "Genery" to Benjamin, Dominic and Cameron. Funeral at Aldeburgh Parish Church, Wodnesday August 28th at 11sm. Family flowers only. Donations if desired to Aldeburgh Parish Church clo Tony Brown Funeral Services, New Cui. Saxmundham, Suffolk IP17 1D7.

HOPKIMS - On 21st August
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Phyllis Manguerite, wife of
the late Francis Between and
mother of Maureen and
theo, aged 84 years. Francis
Service at St Margaret's
Churth, Halstend, Kent, on
29th August at 12 noon,
followed by reception at
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Event- Josis, Senior Lecturer (restired), Institute of Education, London, pensed away peacefully on 4th August 1996, at the Middlesex Hospital, London, agud 60, after a long ilineas borne with immense Courage, She will be hugely missed by her mother Gertie, Surah and Bon and all her Lamily and friends. She was a very special, Caring person and was loved and adulyed by her family, many friends and colleagues. We will hever forget her. May her dear soul rest is peace.

DEATHS MAGRATH - David Ingle.
Peacefully at home
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Hospital, Northwood.

MARTIN-BIRD - On 21st
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wife of the late Richard and
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ACRITAGUE-JONES - Brigadies MONT MARKE-JONES - Brigatier Rounld Mountague-Jones CRE, on 18th Angust 1996 of Aldermy Hospital, Poole, aged 86, Private cremarion. Family flowers only. (No lettern piesse). Donations for the Swanage Branch of The Royal Estish Legion and any equiries c/o James Smith Funeral Directors, 60A Kings Road, Swanago, Dorset, tel: (01929) 422445. Memorial Service at St. Mary's Parish Church, Swanage, on Monday 9th September at 12 noon.

MOSKOVIC - Meir Erast.
Peacefully at home
Wednesday August 21st.
Cherished husband of Eye.
beloved Father of Neomi and
Eleanor. The funeral has
already taken place.

DEATHS MERDOCH - On August 20th 1996 Robert aged 73 years. The much loved husband of Ann, loving father of Alustair and Simon. Funeral Service and committal at Preston Cremstorium on Tuesday August 27th at 3 pm. Family flowers only please. Donations if desired to St Catherine's Hospice, Preston or the RNLL Enquiries to E & G Wilde, Bamber Bridge, tell: Preston (01772) 335974.

NAPIER - On 22nd August 1996 pencefully at the Orntory, Roverend Michael Scott Napier, Priest of the Orntory, aged 67. Requiem at the Orntory, SW7, on Friday 30th August at 11 am, ELF. MEILL - Revd. Charles

MERIL - Revd. Churles Christopher Stanisy Nelli passed away suddenly at the Battle Hospital, Reading on Toseday 20th August aged 63 years, Much loved Uncle to Anthony, Cathurine, Lallarand Helena and much loved Great-Uncle to Emily, Clem, Daisy and Rosle. A greatly loved and respected Priest and Linand. A Requiem will be held on Wodnesday 28th August at 2.30 pm at Enborne St Michael Church, Newbury, Berks. Flowers and prison to Recess & Pain., 288, Abingdon Rosd.

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DEATHS PANTING - Beverend John of Norwich, suddenly on August 20th Enquiries to Peter Taylor Fuseral Services, tel: (01603) 750787. PRIBISEVIC

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SMYTH - Dian Mary on Wednesday 21st August. Service at Enhadalis Park Cromatorium, Leatherhead, 1 pm Wednesday 28th August. No flowers, but donations much appreciated to Guild of Friends, The New Epsom and Ewell Cottage Hospital.

Hospital.

TOOKE - Mary Anne, much loved wife of Rohin and darling mother of Elotse, Zed, Josh and Jesse, adored Gaughter of Anne and Peter Feeny, died suddenly in Majorca. Fuseral in Andraitz and Mamorial Service later in UK.

Thanksgiving for the life of Dr. Thomas Wilton will be held at Almondsbury Parish Church on Friday September 6th at 4 pm. Donations, if whised, to The Royal British Legion or King George's Fund for Sallors, Or, may be sent to Gulwell, David's Close, Alveston, ES12 ZLE

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SIR BRIAN WARREN

Sir Brian Warren, general practitioner, died on August 18 aged 81. He was born in Toddington, Bedfordshire, on December 19, 1914.

rian Warren was one of London's most prominent and fashionable general practitioners of the pastwar period. He was also a familiar agure for 40 years in the upper echelons of the Conservative Party. serving as personal physician to Edward Heath as Prime Minister from 1970 to 1974.

Harold Brian Seymour Warren was the elder son of a Bedfordshire gentleman-farmer. He himself was a comparatively late convert to medicine. From Bishop's Stortford College, where his contemporaries included the former Permanent Under-Secretary to the Foreign Office, Lord Greenhill, he entered University College London to read history, only subsequently switching to study medicine at University College Hospital.

In 1942, when a dashing young lieutenant in the Royal Army Medical Corps, he married the brilliant young gynaecologist Joseshine Barnes (herself, as Dame sosephine, to become pre-eminent in her own branch of their shared profession). Warren's war service.

which won him a mention in dispatches, was largely spent as medical officer to the 1st Battalion, Grenadier Guards, Here he made many lifelong friends, among them Lord Carrington, "Physician, heal thyself," was the jocular cry when Warren himself was shot in the leg. the bullet remaining there until the day he died.

At the end of the war he was among the first British troops to enter Berlin, later witnessing the victorious arrival of Churchill and Stalin at Potsdam before moving to Bonn as deputy director of medical services with the Guards Armoured Division, Warren loved the Army, in which he might well have made a career, were it not for his wife and growing family back in London. In 1946 he resigned his commis-

sion, bought and restored an allbut-derelict house in Chester Square, Belgravia, and set up the consulting rooms from which he swiftly built up a remarkably successful practice. Early patients included Sir William Haley, then Editor of The Times, who would arrive by chauffeur-driven Rolls-Royce for a weekly injection, and a young Conservative MP called Edward Heath, who would turn up in a battered Ford Prefect. Other patients, who also became friends, included such families living near by as that of Enoch Powell. With the advent in 1948 of the

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National Health Service, Warren made a conscious decision to remain in private practice. In 1955 he was elected a member of Westminster City Council, on which he remained until 1978 (apart from a four-year break in the mid-1960s), serving for some years as an innovative chairman of its health committee.

From 1955 to 1958 he also represented West Woolwich on the London County Council, In 1959 he made his one vain attempt to win a seat in Parliament, standing for the Tories in the Labour stronghold of Brixton, where he always remaind proud of "putting a dent" in Colonel Marcus Lipton's impregnable In 1964 Warren was divorced by

Josephine Barnes and married a fellow Westminster councillor, Anne Marsh. The father of a son and two daughters from his first marriage, he had two more sons before his second marriage was cruelly ended by his wife's premature death from multiple sclerosis in 1982. Throughout the 1970s the couple were at the heart of Conservarive social life, being stylish hosts at their homes both in London and

happy professional years, as the 1970 general election saw his longtime patient and close friend, Ted Heath, installed in Downing Street. Like many prime ministerial doctors, travelling the world with patients who rarely know a day's ill-health, Warren relished the opportunity to meet world leaders from Mao Tse-tung to Nixon.

At the 1971 Bermuda summit, he was inevitably left to compare notes with Nixon's travelling physician, Dr Walter Tkach, who grandly showed off the bullet extractors and resuscitation machines which followed the US President around the world. "All I could show him in return," Warren joked, "was my stethoscope and prescription pad." After Heath's visit to China, in May 1974 after his fall from power, it was Warren who stayed behind to arrange the transport to London

Zoo of two giant pandas.

Apart from his constant (and vain) struggle to persuade Heath to lose weight. Warren was called into urgent service on only two, somewhat dramatic, occasions. In 1970, as Heath was making his entrance as the elected Prime Minister into Conservative Central Office in Smith Square, a disgruntled Lab-

These were also particularly neck; and in 1972, as he arrived to sign the Treaty of Accession to the European Community in Brussels, a young German woman threw a bottle of printer's ink at the Prime Minister. The ceremony was delayed while Warren used pure alcohol to remove the worst of the ink from Heath's pristine white hair, then the two were up most of the night cleaning it out from beneath his fingernails.

Knighted by Heath in his Resignation Honours List, Warren remained impeccably loyal to his old friend, while also maintaining close friendships with many other senior Tories who managed the transition into the Thatcher era, such as the two previous Chief Whips, Lords Whitelaw and Pym.

Warren remained in practice until his late sixties, gradually allowing his deep love of reading, music, gardening and travel to take priority. A cultured man of refined tastes and traditional standards, he prided himself as much on his appearance as his conduct. Stylish to the last, he died with a crisp. newly ironed, monogrammed handkerchief in his pyjama pocket. having spent a typical Sunday receiving visits from his family.

He is survived by his first wife. our supporter lunged from the crowd to stub out a cigarette on his five children of his two marriages.



CAMILLA HORN

Camilla Horn, actress. died on August 14 aged 93. She was born on April 25, 1903

A STRIKING beauty, with expressive features and a beguiling air of solemn vulnerability, the German actress Camilla Horn was a memorable Gretchen in F.W. Murnau's silent classic Faust (1925-26). The film, an extravagant adaptation of Goethe's drama by the master of cinematic Expressionism, brought instant fame and secured her lasting reputation.

Camilla Horn was born in Frankfurt in 1903 (three years earlier than she liked to admit). Her early career was itself the stuff of film scripts. The daughter of a railway worker, on leaving school she worked as a seamstress and housemaid, saving what she earned to pay for lessons in dance, gymnastics and acting. She enrolled at the Rudolf Laban school and was a pupil of the actress Lucie Höflich, wife of Emil Jannings. Evenfually she found cabaret work as a dancer in Berlin and employment as an extra with the German film company UFA.

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It was while working as an extra on Murnau's film of Tartuffe that she came to the director's attention. So strong was the impression she made that he gave her the role in Faust originally intended for Lillian Gish. The decision was vindicated when Horn, in the pointon of at least one review-📆 gave "a better performance than Miss Gish could have offered ... a superbly tender and unaffected bit of work".

On the expiry of her fouryear contract with UFA, Horn went in 1928 to Hollywood. where she starred opposite John Barrymore in two films directed by Ernst Lubitsch. Tempest and Eternal Love. The arrival of sound ended her Hollywood career. She made a single "talkie" - Royal Box, filmed in German and English versions - then returned to Germany.



made in the next decade turned her into one of Germany's most popular actresses. She also worked in France, Italy and England. Cast during these years as a succession of vamps. femmes fatales. melodramatic heroines and sophisticated romantic leads. she played them all with confidence and conviction. But none of these roles seemed made for her as Gretchen was, and none of the films approached the quality of Murnau's Faust.

When war broke out Horn fell foul of the Nazi authorities - and thus of the German film studios - by trying to flee to Switzerland; she got only as dried up, and she abandoned cinema for a farm near Neuruppin in Brandenburg. in eastern Germany. At the end of the war she

took refuge in the American zone and worked as an interpreter for the US Army. In a handful of German films made in the late 1940s and early 1950s, she tried and failed to capitalise on her earlier fame. Her stage career flourished.

however, after a Frankfurt production of Cocteau's The Eagle has Two Heads in 1948. and she continued to appear in theatre and cabaret until the mid-1970s. A successful return to the screen came at last in the

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character parts in the cinema and on television to great acclaim. She gave her final screen performance in 1989, at the age of \$6. In 1974 her lifetime's

achievement was recognised with an award from the German film industry. A candid volume of memoirs, which appeared in 1985 under the title Verlieht in die Liebe (In Love with Love), revealed the extent to which her private life had mirrored the amorous adventures of her screen career. She was married and divorced four times, the last marriage ending in 1963. She died in an old people's home in Gilching in Bavaria.

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Wing Commander Leslie

Akehurst, OBE. former

RAF air traffic controller.

died in a glider collision

WHEN, on June 24, 1948, the Soviet Union closed all rail and road routes into Berlin, thus sealing the city off, it seemed inconceivable to outside observers that the Allies would not have to relinquish their foothold in the German

capital. Yet thanks to the skill of air traffic controllers like Leslie Akehurst, plying their skills tirelessly from airfields in the British and American sectors of the city, a large population was supplied by air for a period of almost 12 months. The skies above West Berlin were, during this hectic period, "like Piccadilly Circus", in the words of one observer, as aircraft poured into Gatow and Tempelhof airports at the rate of one

had been forced to concede victory. The pessimists had been confounded, and the first great crisis of the Cold War was resolved in favour of the Western Allies without a shot being fired. For his contribution to this remarkable operation Akehurst was appointed OBE. Leslie Akehurst had a var-

every four seconds.

ied RAF career, in bombers and in Coastal Command, before becoming an air traffic controller. From school at Eastbourne he went straight into the RAF as soon as war was declared in September 1939. Indeed, he and his father walked down to volunteer at the same time, Akehurst senior for the Army, his son for the RAF.

After basic training he opted for aircrew, specialising as a wireless operator/airgunner in Bomber Command. As such he took part in some of the perilous early air raids of the war in lumbering Whitleys, slow and poorly armed as they executed the first night sorties over Germany. Later he transferred to Lancasters as the strategic air offensive gained in strength and purpose.

At the end of the war he was in Coastal Command on patrol operations out over the Western Approaches. He was stationed at RAF St Eval in Cornwall when his commanding officer suggested to him that he take a commission and specialise in air traffic control. With the shrinking of the postwar Air Force many aircrew were either leaving the service or seeking alternative

ways to further their careers. easily have been overrun. US For Akehurst the choice was military opinion advised a

WING COMMANDER LESLIE AKEHURST

a happy one, and gave him a chance to be at the centre of the first great crisis of confidence between erstwhile wartime allies, which was to set the pattern for relations between the West and the Soviet bloc for almost the next fifty years. In doing so he also participated in one of the most dramatic air supply operations of all time.

The event which triggered the crisis was the news that the Western powers were planning currency reforms in their occupied zones, a vital first step to German economic revival. This was hotly resented by the Soviet Union which accused Britain, France and the United States of reneging on the four-power agreement for the stewardship of the conquered Germany. In June, after an uneasy period of partial Soviet interference with the supply routes, all road, rail and canal links between the zones of the Western Allies were cut.

the Russians - who correctly diagnosed in the proposed currency reforms an Allied intention to create a capitalist West German state — to force the Allies to give up Berlin to them, or abandon their German policy. At that point the move seemed highly likely to succeed. A third world war over half the capital city of a people who had lately been a deadly and loathed enemy seemed inconceivable. Be sides, the Allied position in Berlin was militarily hopeless, since the west of the city could

negotiated withdrawal.

But President Truman and the British Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin were made of sterner stuff. They saw no sense in trying to fight their way into Berlin, but were convinced that the supply of the city by air was possible. Very few logisticians agreed with them. To that point air traffic into the city had barely been enough to feed the Allied garrisons. let alone the 24 million German civilians blockaded in the city.

Experienced air traffic controllers like Akehurst were rushed out from Britain. A continuous stream of hundreds of transport aircraft flew the 20-mile-wide air corridor into Berlin from airfields at Frankfurt, Hanover and Hamburg, where they were loaded round the clock by German labourers. The strain on the air traffic controllers in Berlin, at RAF Gatow and the American airfield at Tempelhof was intense. But the airlift

without mishap. At one point 200 aircraft were landing at Gatow, bags of flour, oatmeal and even coal being unloaded by German workers, while the pilots snatched a quick cigarette before taking off again. By the time the Russians conceded. 2.3 milion tons of supplies had been flown into the city and, contrary to expectation. the population had not been starved into submission. Not only was it a great feat

of Allied organisation, but the airlift served to begin the redemption of the German people in the eyes of their conquerors. This had much to so with the personality of the Socialist Mayor of West Berlin Ernst Reuter. His moral authority and his power to inspire German civilians to play their steadfast part in the unloading and distribution of supplies came to symbolise a new German determination to associate themselves with re-

sistance to autocratic bullying. During the airlift Akehurst worked chiefly at Gatow, but was also on duty with the Americans at Tempelhof. Once home from Germany, he stayed in air traffic control for the rest of his RAF career. He had two tours at RAF

Buchan in northern Scotland. where his duties involved directing the RAF planes flying out from Lossiemouth to shadow the giant Soviet Tupolev Bear bombers that habitually prowled the skies above the Norwegian Sea and the North Atlantic at the height of the Cold War, attempting to assess the significance of Nato naval deployments.

hurst also s Cyprus, where he directed air movements during the period of the Eoka troubles. He was twice in Norway, in 1962 and 1968, the second time on a Nato posting.

Retiring to Gloucestershire in 1976, he devoted himself to a wide variety of hobbies, ranging from potting and woodturning to golf. But his great recreational passion was gliding, and he gained his bronze award at the age of 70.

He is survived by his wife Erna, and by their three daughters.



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EARLY REJECTIONS OF FAMOUS STORY

Baroness Orczy, the playwright and nov-elist speaking at Messrs. Foyle's 58th literary luncheon, held at Grosvenor House, Park Lane, yesterday, described how numerous publishers in London declined to accept her first manuscript of "The Scarlet Pimpernel". Sir John Lavery presided.

BARONESS ORCZY, having referred to her

early years in Hungary, said that after she arrived in London at the age of to she began to study various arts, including painting, but she felt that that was rather a futility. After her marriage she and her husband were at one period paying guests in a house where the two daughters of the family wrote stories for magazines. She told her husband that the situation seemed to her to be perfectly silly; the girls had not seen anything of the world or done anything and yet were writing stories for magazines; why should she not write? That was the beginning of her literary career. She wrote short stories for magazines which proved successful. The scenes were laid in London, and she was asked to lay the scenes of further stories in various towns all over the kingdom. She wrote one story in which the plot was laid in Glasgow, and included in it a description of a coroner's inquest. The day

ON THIS DAY

August 23, 1935

The manuscript of The Scarlet Pimpernel, the widely popular novel about the French Revolution by Baroness Orczy (1865-1947), was rejected by a dozen publishers but, turned into a play, it was a success, revived since and more than once filmed.

after the story was printed she received over 500 letters, and the publishers received a similar number, saying that there was no such thing as a curoner's inquest in Scotland.

Later, while journeying home to Kensington by the Underground Railway she was waiting at the Temple Station when the whole story of The Scarlet Pimpernel" descended upon her. She saw the whole thing and went home and wrote it. The manuscript was offered to one publisher after another—to 12 publishers altogether-but none of them would take it. She was nearly discouraged and then one

publisher offered her £30. She was disposed to accept it, but was informed two weeks later that the directors of the firm in question had reconsidered the matter and had declined to publish her manuscript. (Laughter.) It went out again and was again rejected. Sub-sequently "The Scarlet Pimpernel" was produced as a play and she sent the manuscript once more to book publishers. One told her that if the play was a success she could bring the story back to them. Another publisher said that in the case of an unknown writer he always sent the manuscript to his mother, who lived in a village in Cornwall, because her tasse represented the public taste. Apparently the lady liked "The Scarlet Pimpernel", because the publishers took the book.

Miss Susan Ertz proposed the toast of "Literature," and Mr R J Minney replied.

WAR HORSE'S DEATH AT 26. Warrior, a horse which went through the retreat from Mons, died in the stable at Southampton Police Station yesterday, aged

The horse was presented to Southampton Police Force by Miss Hilda Moore, on condition that once a year he was taken to her house in Southampton for a party in his the

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Court ordeal for raped woman

■ The Government is to examine a trial in which a convicted rapist was allowed to cross-examine his victim in court for six days about the intimate details of her ordeal.

NEWS

Ralston Edwards, 42, exercised his legal right to represent himself when he appeared at the Old Bailey accused of raping a 34-year-old mother of two in an attack lasting 16 hours. After the jury found him guilty on two counts of rape, his victim said: "I feel like I have been raped twice" Pages 1, 3

Thousands to be freed after bungle

■ Five hundred prisoners are facing imminent release from jail because of a legal blunder over the way in which "consecutive" sentences have been calculated. Up to 5,000 prisoners are also likely to have their release dates brought forward following a review... Page I

Yeltsin goes private

Boris Yeltsin's favourite grandson is being sent to one of England's most expensive independent schools. Young Boris, 15, will board at the £15,000-a-year Millfield School, Somerset Page 1

A level tables

Leading state schools step up their challenge to independent education in the fifth annual Times A-level league table detailing this summer's results from more than 720 schools Pages 1, 6

Identity crisis

The Home Secretary Michael Howard announced that his controversial identity card scheme will be extended to children as well as adultsPage 2

Too friendly' ITN

The Independent Television Commission has criticised ITN chiefs over an interview with John Major conducted last month by Trevor McDonald because it was "too friendly"Page 4

Family fame

A family staked its claim as the brightest in Britain when lo-yearold Ronan Astin earned 11 starred-A passes at GCSE to add to his brother Ciaran's five A grades at A levelPage 7

Surgical struggle

Women who require breast reduction surgery are struggling to obtain the operation, in spite ofPage 8

Ancient graves

Archaeologists have discovered graves of the ancient British ruling class, forced into submission by the Roman invasion. The site, near Colchester, contains the bones of aides of Cunobelin -Shakespeare's Cymbeline Page 9

Threat to tortoises

A disease has killed giant tortoises in the Galapagos sparking fears that an epidemic could devastate some of the world's most fascinating creatures......Page 10

ANC apology

Thabo Mbeki, South Africa's First Deputy President, gave the Truth and Reconciliation Commission, an apology for atrocities committed during the struggle against apartheid.....Page II

Burning Clinton issue

President Clinton is to approve the toughest crackdown on the tobacco industry since the Surgeon General linked smoking

and lung cancer in 1964. Page 14 Belgium mourns Belgium mourned and buried two eight-year-old girls starved to death by a paedophile gang whose activities have prompted

an international search for other

missing children Page 15

Grozny truce Russia's national security adviser, General Aleksandr Lebed, signed a truce in the Chechen capital

Taste of defeat for the Polo slogan

■ The makers of Polo mints failed to protect their £41million market after trying to a stop a rival from using a similar advertising slogan. Nestlé UK, makers of Polo, "the Mint with a Hole", wanted a ruling that the British launch of an older American version, called Lifesavers, could not use the words "the Original Mint with the Hole" ...



Zara Phillips with her father, Captain Mark Phillips, at the Pony Club championships at Weston Park, Shropshire, yesterday

BUSINESS

Economy: The Bundesbank surprised financial markets with an aggressive cut in interest rates that was interpreted as an attempt to keep plans for a single currency on .. Page 25

Tobacco: A further £750 million was wiped off the market value of BAT, the tobacco and financial services company, because of US legal and regulatory challenges. Page 25 Football: The Inland Revenue has launched a wide-ranging investiga-

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SPORT Cricket: England scored 278 for six

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on the opening day of the final Test against Pakistan at the Oval. John Crawley, of Lancashire, was 94 not out at the close.... Page 48

Football: The recall of Matthew Le Tissier and the introduction of David Beckham are the most eloquent statements of intent in the first England squad chosen by Glenn Hoddle..

Golf: Paul Broadhurst scored a course record 62, nine under par. in the first round of the German Open in Stuttgart to lead the field by one

Motor racing: Damon Hill aims to improve on the poor starts that have cost him valuable places in the last three races when he competes in Belgium... .Page 28 .,Page 41

ARTS

Bad beginning: Two months after its royal opening, the Liverpool Institute for the Performing Arts. supported by Paul McCartney, is in financial difficulty.....Page 32

Theatre flop: Although filled with great Sixties music and plenty of hippy nostalgia, Jim Cartwright's Kiss the Sky does not have a lot to recommend itPage 32

Rock dance: The once-beleaguered Joffrey Ballet of Chicago, now riding high thanks to a ballet with music by Prince, is heading for the Festival Hall...

Chart success: New albums this week include releases from Pearl Jam and Mike Oldfield and a look at Cardiff-born Donna Lewis, who is at No 2 in the American singles

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royd, who "manufacturers books more on the lines of sliced bread than of great literature" Page 19

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A-level results: When the top three state schools do better than Manchester Grammar it is time to sit upPage 36 and take notice...

vide three years of fun......Page 36 Going away with Saily: The Salvation Army is helping deprived children to get away from it all by taking them on holiday Page 36

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Preview: Keith Schellenberg denies he is a millionaire, but his trappings suggest otherwise. Filthy Rich (Channel 4, 8pm). Review: Matthew Bond on a gripping tale of political intriguePage 47

Trials of rape

It would be both dangerous and wrong if victims were deterred by the prospect of cross-examination and offenders thus remained at liberty.

Tories in defeat

Under our electoral rules it is a sair bet that a divided party will lose. because such an internally incoherent force is unlikely to exercise authority with distinction... Page 21

Treasure islands

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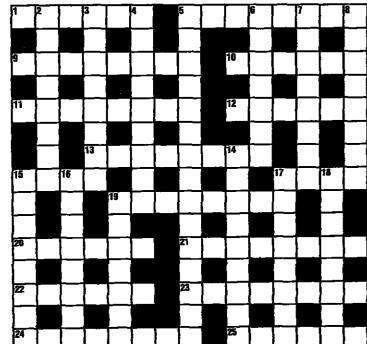
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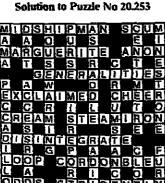
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on holiday (b).



21 Clumsy salesman about to interrupt one at head of queue (8). 22 Man no longer uses this sort of

coffee (6). 23 Digs gold out in margins of goldfields (8). 24 After-effects of battle on corps (8).

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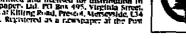
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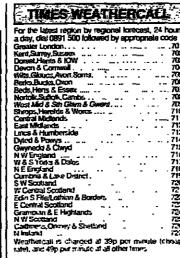
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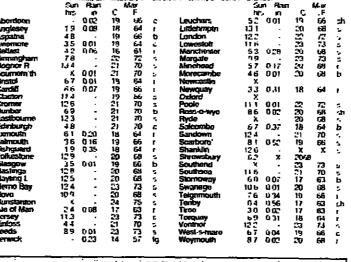


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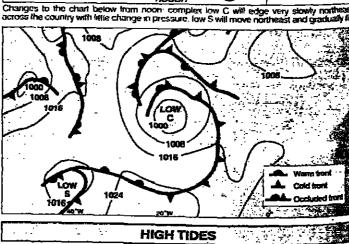
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